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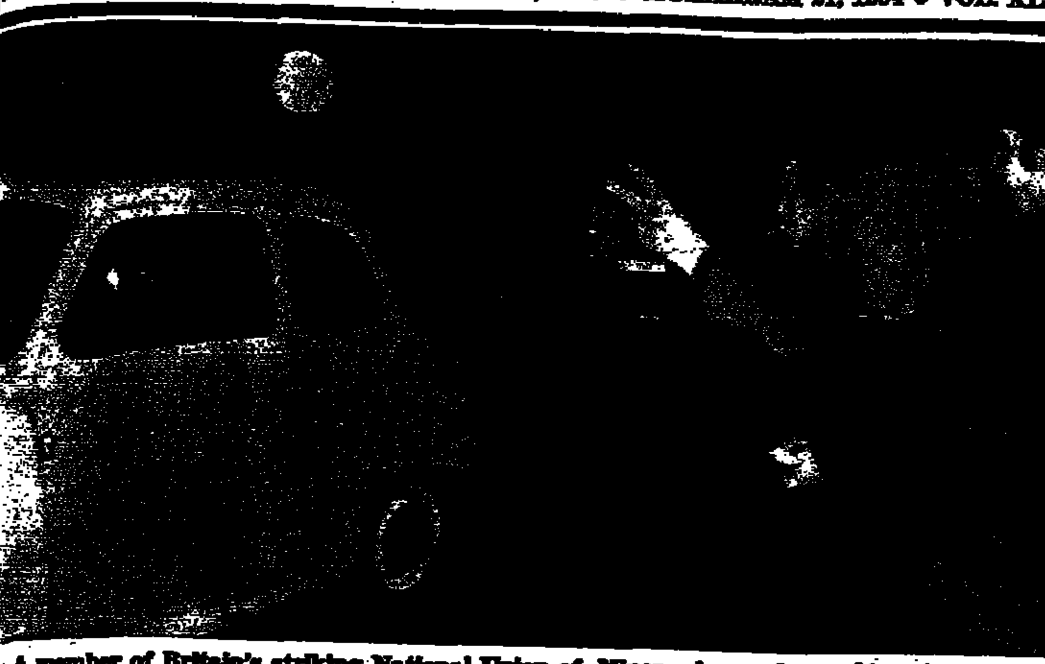


A member of Britain's striking National Union of Mineworkers shows his strong feelings to a member of the National Association of Colliery Overmen, Deputies and Shot Firers, who was arriving for work as usual at Gedling Colliery near Derby, early yesterday morning (Story Pg. 5.)
(AP radiophoto)

Two civilians killed in massive Syrian bombardment of Golan

By ZE'EV SCHUL, Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — A young woman of Ramat Hamagshimim moshav and a policeman were killed and five soldiers wounded yesterday in one of the most vicious of Syrian cease-fire violations since the October war.

For the second day running, the Syrians used poor visibility and stormy weather as a cover for sneak artillery and mortar attacks extended along almost the entire length of the Golan front and including also for the first time (since October) two civilian settlements.

One was Ramat Hamagshimim where the girl was killed. This moshav is about 12 kilometres south of the Rafid enclave and only two kilometres from the Syrian frontier, closer to the enemy lines than any other civilian settlement on the heights.

The village was heavily damaged in the attack.

Other settlements shelled yesterday were Ein Zivan, where a creche was damaged, and El Rom, whose orchards were hit. Kuneitra also came under heavy Syrian artillery fire.

The first bombardment started at about 9:30 a.m., spreading out to include Jaba, Mazrat Beit Jan and other northern areas. This barrage lasted for about an hour. Israel artillery concentrated on silencing the enemy batteries.

Precisely one hour later, the Syrians opened up again, this time including the two civilian settlements and Kuneitra in a 90-minute bombardment, using practically the entire range of guns and high-trajectory weapons at their disposal. Once again Israel guns returned the fire, concentrating on silencing the Syrian batteries.

At about 12:40, several Sager anti-tank missiles were fired at IDF units stationed in the Tel Shams area.

The Syrians were seen here as repeating Monday's tactics. Obviously intent on inflicting the maximum number of casualties, they once again attempted to employ the element of surprise, evidently in the hope of finding as many soldiers and civilians as possible either out in the open or in unprotected accommodation.

This sort of barrage requires a good deal of planning and coordination to ensure that the initial salvoes are of a maximum weight.

Military commentators here yesterday had no theories to offer for the Syrian motivation than their sole surviving one. Namely that the Syrians are determined to demonstrate their unimpaired military brawn and to declare that, if and when they go to the negotiating tables, they will be doing so from a position of strength.

It is assumed here that the Syrians are unlikely to have the last word. There has always been an unwritten code of preventing escalation, which both sides have abided by or paid the penalty for, once violated.

A typical demonstration of this was Israel restraint (during the pre-October war period) in not using its aircraft against Syrian frontline positions as long as these restricted their offensive actions to military targets. Shelling of civilian settlements usually led to IAF sorties.

It is not clear whether the IDF intends to apply this code now or perhaps simply increase its artillery response to a level beyond anything the Syrians have experienced to date.

The terrain is to Israel's advantage in this respect. One of Damascus' two airfields (also used by Air Force planes) is within range of the IDF's 175 millimetre guns, and there are numerous military targets within eye-sight of the line of tels occupied by Israel army units. The dense Syrian army concentrations — drawn up in defence of Damascus — are also all within range of the Israel guns and are highly vulnerable.

An additional factor is the "new look" of the Israel Artillery Corps, which has received substantial quantitative as well as qualitative reinforcements.

In Damascus, the Syrian command claimed that its artillery dealt "devastating blows" to eight Israel settlements and wiped out three missiles bases in the Golan Heights yesterday.

The victims

The two fatalities in yesterday's Syrian shelling were Fuad Mukkadem Attala, 30, of Yerka, a father of five children, and Esther Ben-David, 26, a mother of three who came to Israel from New York with her Israeli husband in August, 1972. Attala a Druse, was on his way to visit relatives at Bukata near Kuneitra when he was hit.

Mrs. Ben-David, who was a member of Hamagshimim, was going to the infant welfare centre in the village when killed.

Her funeral will leave from Ziv Hospital in Jerusalem for the cemetery on the Mount of Olives at 1 o'clock today.

Sapir offers 6% C-o-L advance plus child grants

An advance payment on the cost-of-living increase of up to six per cent, plus a IL10 extra allowance a month for each of a family's first three children, were Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir's proposals yesterday to the Histadrut leaders for meeting the situation created by the slash in subsidies on staples.

Mr. Sapir made the suggestions while meeting in his Jerusalem office with a party of members of the Histadrut Executive, led by acting Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel. The Finance Minister said it would be impossible to increase the advance on the c-o-l increase beyond six per cent (the Histadrut has demanded seven per cent) and at the same time to provide the extra sums for the children. He suggested these be set at IL10 for each of the first three, with IL5 for each additional child.

(Demonstrations — Page 2)

Lebanon accused in note to U.N.

Israel scored Lebanon yesterday in a note of protest to the UN Secretary-General over Saturday night's terrorist bazooka attack north of Kibbutz Dan which killed a young woman and injured her friend.

Michal Idelson, 21, of Moshav Orot, in the south, was killed outright, and Yaron Avin, 21, of Kibbutz Kfar Blum, was injured when their truck was ambushed near the northern border. They were returning from taking a soldier friend back to his unit in the Golan Heights.

Israel's note yesterday pointed out that the terrorist "Popular Front for the Liberation of Palastin" had, according to Beirut news agencies, taken responsibility for the attack. It blamed the Lebanese Government for the ambush, because Beirut grants "freedom of movement and action" to all terrorist organizations.

The note was sent by the acting chief of the Israel Mission, Ya'acov Doron.

The pro-terrorist Lebanese newspaper "Al-Yom" said yesterday that all Palestinian refugee camps and terrorist units were in a state of alert on Sunday night "following Israel threats against Lebanon" made in the protest note to the U.N. The paper said, according to AFP, that the protest was over the death of an Israeli soldier, and added that it was interpreted in terrorist circles as a forewarning of an Israel attack against refugee camps inside Lebanon.

WESTERN OIL PARLEY OPENS IN WASHINGTON

Kissinger warns oil producers against excessive prices

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — The U.S., the European Economic Community and Japan called yesterday for an early conference of oil producer and consumer countries to resolve the world-wide energy crisis.

This early accord emerged in the opening hours of the 13-nation conference of the world's major users of oil arranged here by the U.S.

It raised hopes that useful and constructive steps would emerge by the time the meeting ends today.

Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, who with President Nixon has been the driving force behind the conference, established the atmosphere with an offer to share U.S. energy resources and technology to overcome the energy shortage. He said that excessive fuel prices would rebound on producers.

He outlined a seven-point plan for international cooperation, urged the holding of a second conference of consumer nations, including the less developed countries, and said a third conference should be held by May 1 between both producers and users.

The nine-member Common Market view was that a joint meeting should be as soon as April 1. Japan set no date, but said it should be as early as possible.

The EEC views were put to the conference by West German Foreign Minister Walter Scheel, speaking in his capacity as current chairman of the Market's Ministerial Council.

Countries attending the conference are the U.S., Japan, Canada, Norway and the nine EEC nations. Also represented are the EEC as an entity and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

Dr. Kissinger, who is presiding over the conference, spoke about U.S. plans to spend $23.5m. in private and public funds over the next five years in an effort to make the U.S. self-sufficient in energy by the 1980s.

"The U.S.," he said, "is prepared to make a major contribution of its most advanced energy research and development to a broad programme of international cooperation in energy.

"We would be prepared to allocate an agreed portion of our total petroleum supply provided other consumer countries with indigenous production do likewise."

Dr. Kissinger did not name any particular country, but Canada has considerable oil resources and Britain hopes within the next five years to produce substantial quantities of oil from its deposits in the North Sea.

The Secretary of State sought to allay Arab fears that the present conference might result in an international oil consumer cartel when he declared that "The U.S. has called this conference for one central purpose: to move urgently to resolve the energy problem on the basis of cooperation among all nations. Our ultimate goal must be to create a cooperative framework within which producers and consumers will be able to accommodate their differences and reconcile their needs and aspirations."

Arab producers must receive a just price for their oil, but excessive prices would only stimulate the drive for alternative energy sources and rebound on oil producers, Dr. Kissinger added.

Dr. Scheel said the problem was to stabilize prices of oil and natural gas and everyone concerned, including producer nations, needed "to be won over to the idea of constructive collaboration."

The British Foreign Secretary, Sir Alec Douglas-Home, defended his government's right to conclude bilateral deals with the oil-producing countries, saying such arrangements are "a response to the fact."

Sir Alec said that most oil-producing states are increasing their control of oil and many of them prefer to deal directly with the governments of consuming countries.

Libya takes over U.S. firms

BEIRUT (UPI). — Libya announced yesterday that it is completely taking over three American oil companies. Tripoli Radio said the three companies were Texaco, Asian of California and Libyan-American.

The government of Col. Gaddafi last September nationalized 51 per cent of all three companies, along with several others, and warned that it would take over 100 per cent if the companies did not agree to the nationalization terms.

The three companies have only a small share — around five per cent — of Libya's production of around two million barrels of crude oil a day.

The broadcast said a special committee would be formed to study the accounts of the three companies and decide what compensation should be paid.

ANSWER BY TOMORROW

Meir calls for two-year freeze on Who's a Jew issue

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Prime Minister Golda Meir last night proposed in writing to the Alignment's prospective coalition partners, the NRP and the ILP, that the *status quo* on religious affairs be left untouched for the next two years. Mrs. Meir proposed that the "Who's a Jew" law about conversions to Judaism not be amended, since "the crisis over this issue has created a clash with the national interests at the present time."

Mrs. Meir asked the two parties to reply to her proposal tomorrow night in what she hoped would be the final round of coalition negotiations.

NRP negotiator Yitzhak Rafael predicted that his party would find it hard to accept the two-year moratorium, but he did not rule it out flat. The ILP had proposed a one-year moratorium early on in the political parley and they are virtually certain to fall in with Mrs. Meir's suggestion, which was read out by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, the chief Alignment negotiator.

On the eve of last night's meeting, prospects of forming a government coalition embracing the NRP on one flank of the Alignment, and the Independent Liberals on the other were at an ebb.

The ILP's Secretary, Yitzhak Barkai, told *The Jerusalem Post* "We would like Premier Golda Meir to decide what sort of Coalition she prefers, and whom she would like to invite to join her. The Alignment has heard us, and heard the NRP, and it knows enough to decide," Barkai said.

An Alignment source directly involved in the negotiations told *The Post* that the NRP had talked itself into a corner over the "Who's a Jew" amendment and could not violate its much-publicized commitment at this point in order to join a coalition. The Alignment source said: "We may prefer to form a restricted coalition without a majority and which depends on the votes of Citizens Rights to make up 61."

(Fifty-one Alignment MKs, plus three Alignment-affiliated Arabs and Druse, plus four ILP Members, totalling 58, would have to depend on three votes of CRM, according to this calculation.)

Iraq and Iran said moving up troops

BEIRUT. — Iraq and Iran were reported yesterday to be moving up troops to reinforce their border after Sunday's heavy clashes, which resulted in more than 150 casualties.

Iran announced yesterday that 41 of its soldiers were killed and 81 wounded in Sunday's fighting.

Official sources in Teheran, the Iranian capital, said the frontier was quiet yesterday.

Baghdad newspapers claimed that Iran was rushing in tank and infantry regiments to the Badra border region. Reports in Beirut newspapers said that Iraq also was ferrying in reinforcements.

The Iranian announcement of its casualties came about 24 hours after Iraq had reported that one of its officers was killed and 22 soldiers wounded in the fighting.

The clash ended a four-month truce between the two countries.

The Teheran Government statement said that Iranian losses resulted from an attack by Iraqi ground forces on the Iranian frontier post of Mehran and a bombing raid on a nearby dike.

Iraq claimed the Iranian attacks occurred after intensive shelling. It charged that Iranian jets flew reconnaissance missions deep into Iraqi air space.

Iraqi-Iranian tension dates back to 1969, when diplomatic relations were broken off because of disputes over navigational rights in the Shat al-Arab waterway that forms part of their border. The estuary is Iraq's channel to the Persian Gulf.

Iran has a standing army of 191,000 and Iraq has 100,000 men in uniform. *(AP, UPI)*

Two more Mapam border villages

The Kibbutz Ha'artzi movement has decided to build a new settlement on the Golan, and one in the Arava, "as its contribution to strengthening the future borders." This was announced in an Israel Radio interview yesterday by Kibbutz Ha'artzi secretary, Shimon Avidan, summing up the Mapam-affiliated movement's conference at Givat Haviva. *(Itim)*

AFTER MIDNIGHT

CBS radio said last night that President Nixon will visit Egypt and Jordan — and apparently Israel too — during April. The White House refused to confirm or deny the report, which said that Nixon would possibly also visit other Middle East countries.

Dayan: Enough parkas now, but volunteer carries on

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Defence Minister Moshe Dayan told the Knesset yesterday that there is now enough winter gear for soldiers, and decried those who, he said, were trying to give the opposite impression.

Mr. Dayan, who was responding to three urgent motions for the agenda on the clothing issue, said he had been told on Friday at a briefing with 200 officers on the Golan that there was now enough equipment to go round. One or two of the commanders had said there had been some shortages up to a fortnight before, he added.

In a sharp outburst, the Defence Minister lashed out at those who, he said, sought to give the impression that it was the newspapers or the MKs — and not the army command and officers — who really cared about whether the men were dressed warmly for the winter.

He suggested the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee tour the north and talk to the soldiers.

At his recommendation, the motions were moved to the Committee for discussion, with the agreement of the three MKs who had proposed them — Shmuel Tamir (Likud), Yehuda Ben-Meir (NRP), and Chaika Grossman (Alignment).

These three had earlier quoted complaints voiced by soldiers in letters or press interviews about the lack of gloves, boots and parkas, and about inequities in the distribution of winter equipment.

Mrs. Grossman: Equipment should not be the concern of the Minister of Defence: but one of the lessons of the Yom Kippur war should be the need for greater supervision at the top of routine matters.

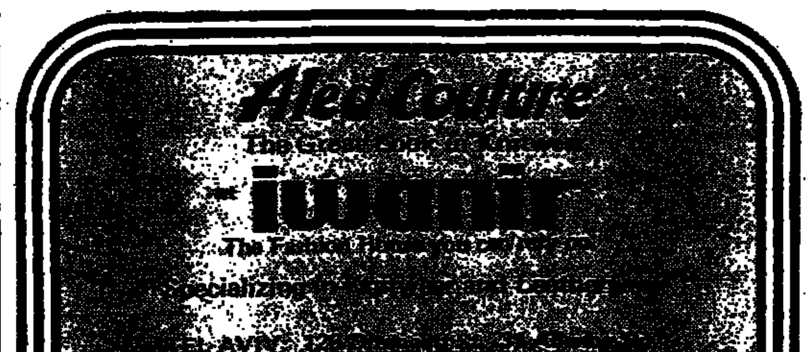
In the Knesset lobby, Jerry Chervin, a frequent visitor to the Golan with carloads of goodies and religious articles, told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that he would be leaving for the north today with parkas for 30 men in a unit at Mazrat Beit Jann — men who as of yesterday had still not been issued the warm jackets.

The 30 had been mentioned by Mr. Tamir in his motion for the agenda. Mr. Chervin, an American resident in Jerusalem, said the parkas were part of a shipment of 100 he would be taking north this morning.

The parkas had been moved through customs at Ben-Gurion Airport yesterday with the aid of a wounded lieutenant-colonel, Mr. Chervin added.

A Sinai military court yesterday sentenced a soldier to four months in prison for taking a parka and three pairs of boots without permission. The soldier, a driver, removed the apparel last November from a shipment he was taking to a unit in the Santa Caterina area.

(Another Dayan statement — Page 2; Chervin photo — Page 3)



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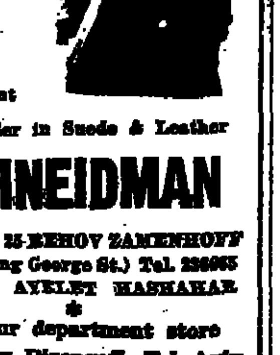

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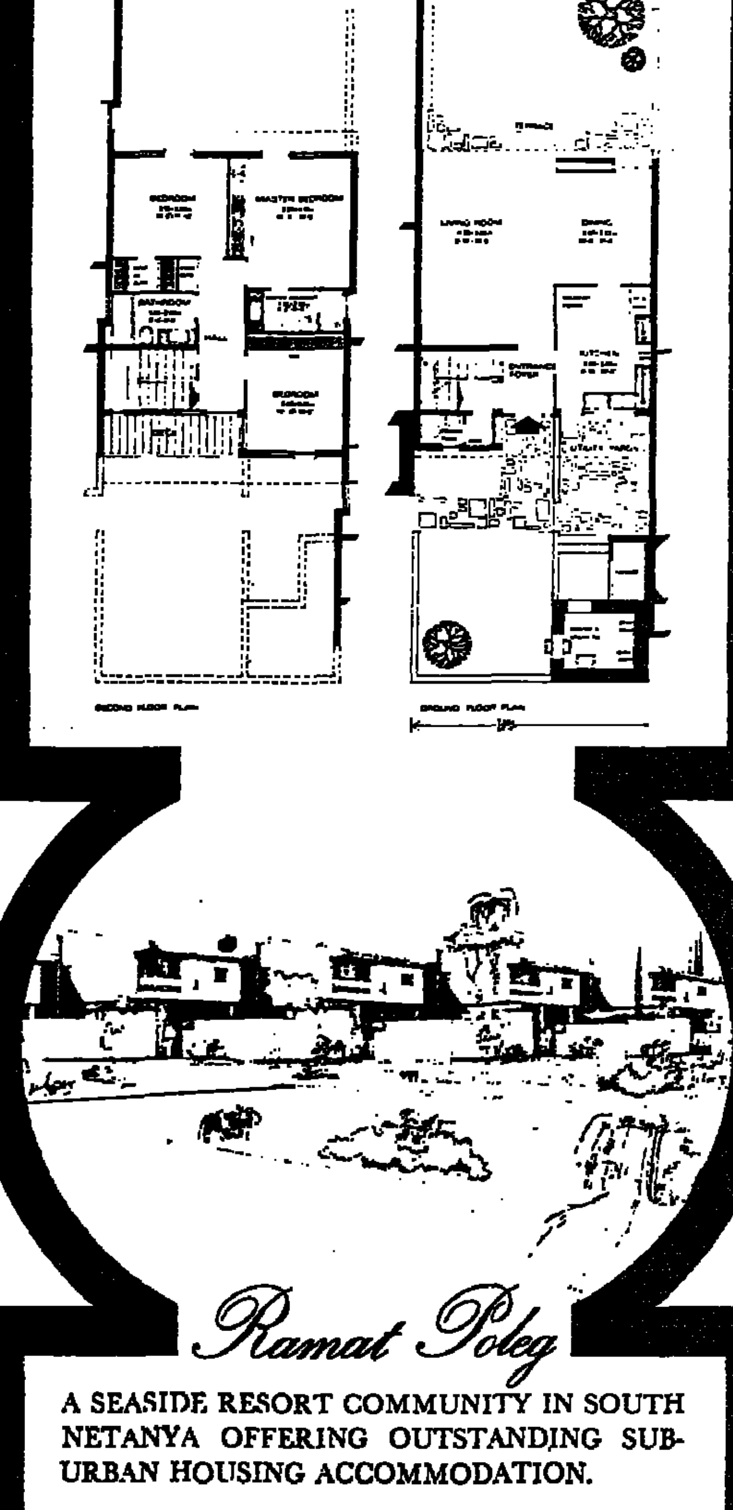

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Knesset approves ten Committees

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset last night finally approved the composition of the ten statutory Committees, which are responsible for conducting the day-to-day work of the parliament behind the scenes.

As of today (Tuesday) bills can be prepared in Committee for the second reading, and motions for the agenda can be referred to Committee for detailed treatment, so that appropriate recommendations can be drafted.

The delay in approving the Committees was not due to the distribution of the chairmanships of the Committees between the parties — Alignment, Likud and National Religious — but to internal dissension within the Likud, over which of its wings should win the four chairmanships assigned to the bloc. (The Likud will announce its chairmen today.)

Fashion Week opens

TEL AVIV. — The Tenth Israel Fashion Week was launched yesterday at the Tel Aviv Hilton Hotel in the presence of Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev, hundreds of buyers from abroad and Israeli fashion executives.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Showers in the morning becoming gradually partly cloudy.
Weather synopsis: Low over Iraq with trough to Eastern Mediterranean.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	Today's forecast
Jerusalem	94	3— 8	3—10
Golan	—	1— 5	0— 6
Nahariya	65	9—16	8—18
Safad	100	3— 7	2— 9
Haifa	67	10—16	8—17
Tiberias	61	10—18	9—19
Nazareth	72	5—12	5—12
Afula	62	8—14	7—15
Shomron	99	5—10	4—12
Tel Aviv	60	9—16	8—18
Lod	58	7—17	6—18
Jericho	68	10—18	9—20
Gaza	69	8—16	6—17
Beersheba	92	7—11	6—14
Eilat	44	12—18	11—20
Tiran	29	12—20	12—21

Social and Personal

Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu met yesterday with Mr. Juergen Wohlrabe, a member of the West German Bundestag from the Christian Democratic party and deputy head of the German-Israel Friendship League.

"War and Captivity as Reflected in Literature" is the title of tomorrow's evening at Jerusalem's Beit Agron sponsored by the local branch of the Journalists Association. Speakers will be Ya'acov Even-Hen, author of "On the Way to Hebron" and Aharon Doleb, author of "An Israeli Parachutist in Egyptian Captivity." There will also be a talk by Dr. Moshe Isaac on "The Psychological Crisis of the Prisoner of War." Time is 7.30 p.m.; place, Beit Agron's Schaver Auditorium.

ARRIVALS

Senator Harry F. Byrd, Jr. (Dem., Virginia) of the Senate Armed Forces Committee, for a three-day visit to study the Middle East situation in general and the security situation in particular.

Elaine Blond, executive member; Daphne Sieff, hon. president; Henny Gestetner, executive member; Carmel Webber, president F.W.Z., from England; Neri Bloomfield, president, Canadian Hadassah-Wizo, for the world Wizo executive plenary session.

Edmonton Hadassah-Wizo of Canada leadership group for 31-day tour and for dedication of their new Wizo day creche in Ramat Hasharon, led by Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sorokin, via El Al.

Dayan denies missile sites left intact

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Defence Minister Moshe Dayan yesterday denied a press report that Israel forces withdrawing from the west bank of the Suez Canal were leaving intact missile installations with their underground bunkers. The denial came in reply to a parliamentary question in the Knesset by Akiva Nof (Free Centre section of the Likud).

In a supplementary question, Mr. Nof said he had received a report yesterday that plane hangars and airfields being evacuated on the west bank were not being destroyed. Was this by instruction of the Minister?

Dayan: The instructions are not to damage civilian installations.

When Mr. Nof persisted, Mr. Dayan said that the questioner could submit a further question in writing if he wished.

Mr. Dayan told Shoshana Arbeli (Alignment-Labour) that he had no information about reports in a Swiss newspaper that Israeli prisoners-of-war taken by Iraqi units on the Syrian front had been transferred to Iraq.

He told the same questioner there was no confirmation for a report in the same Swiss paper that Israeli technical officers taken prisoner in Syria had been flown to the USSR for interrogation by Soviet officer-experts.

Mr. Dayan had been slated to reply to two motions for the agenda about the plight of Israeli prisoners-of-war and men missing in Syria. The Likud and the Aguda Front had come to the Presidium in the morning and persuaded that body to grant the motions urgency.

However, in an unexpected development, some of the relatives of the prisoners came to the Knesset building and suggested that the two factions hold off their motions for a few days till a more appropriate day.

The two factions agreed and meanwhile approached the Acting Prime Minister, Yigal Allon, to see if he were prepared to make a Government statement about the prisoners in Syria tomorrow or next Monday, in which case they would withdraw their motions entirely.

Mr. Allon's reply was not available last night.

Damage in the Swedish Theological Institute on Hanevi'im Street in Jerusalem early yesterday. (Rahamim Israeli)

'Army of conquest' move defeated in Knesset

Jerusalem Post Staff

A brief round of heckling between Meir Pa'il (Moked) and the Likud benches punctuated an otherwise low-key Knesset discussion yesterday evening of three army-related topics that arose in the form of urgent motions for the agenda.

The exchange came when Pa'il sought to keep alive in committee a motion submitted by Rakah M.K. Tawfiq Toubi bitterly criticizing the activities of the Military Government in the administered areas, and calling the I.D.F. an "army of conquest."

Pa'il's proposal to move the motion to committee was defeated but not before the Likud benches charged that he was helping to brand as an "army of conquest" the forces in which he himself had served as an officer.

"When I was serving in Gaza (in the 1956 Sinai Campaign), I did indeed see myself as a member of a conquering army," said Pa'il.

At this point, Defence Minister Moshe Dayan returned to the rostrum to point out that no officer of the rank of regimental commander, such as Pa'il's at the time, was in the army as part of his compulsory service, and he could not claim he was being forced into the role of "conqueror."

Two other motions passed to the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee dealt with reaching a more equitable distribution of the burden of reserve duty.

Zvi Gershuni (Alignment) questioned whether different pay should be given reservists doing the same kind of military service during an emergency; whether something should not be done about the tens of thousands of Israelis abroad who had not come back to serve; and whether the home front should not be recruited to help moshavim whose men were called up just as volunteers from abroad were helping the kibbutzim.

Yosef Tamir said an estimated 55,000 self-employed who had been mobilized were in need of immediate assistance to get their businesses going again. He called for updating the data fed into the computer of the manpower division to allow for more rapid rotation of reserve duty and for more frequent leave.

Price protests held in Tel Aviv, Kiryat Shmona

Slogan-chanting Black Panthers and their allies, with a considerable police escort, yesterday marched peacefully through rainy central Tel Aviv to protest the rise in prices. There were no incidents in the march, called by a Panthers works councils combine called "The National Council to fight High Prices."

In Kiryat Shmona over 4,000 industrial, agricultural and office workers struck for an hour yesterday morning to protest last week's increases in the prices of essential commodities. The employers are reported to have expressed their sympathy and solidarity with the strikers.

At meetings in the plants between 9 and 10 a.m. the workers passed resolutions acting for a restoration of a least some of the subsidies, for a full C.o.L. allowance to compensate for the price rises, for an increase in minimum wages from IL450 to IL700 and for the income tax exemption to be applied to Kiryat Shmona on earnings up to IL1,000 instead of the present ceiling of IL750.

About 400 government employed teachers from Bethlehem and Jericho yesterday sent a memorandum to the Judea and Samaria Command threatening to hold a general strike on March 2 unless their salaries were doubled and prices of basic foodstuffs were reduced in the West Bank. Earlier, Bethlehem municipal employees aired a similar threat.

ABOUT 3,500 FAMILIES of reservists have received advice or help at the local offices set up by the Ministry of Social Welfare in the last two months for this purpose.

Two killed in car crash

Two residents of Yahud were killed, and three others injured yesterday in a head-on crash between an army truck and a private car on Rehov Ha'atzmaut in Yahud. All of the dead and injured were in the car.

The dead were Yosef Ashkenazi, 50, and Matilda Leon, 60, both of Yahud. The injured, who were hospitalized, were Clara Ashkenazi, David Asher, 24, and Emanuel Asher, 53. *(Itim)*

ARSON AT JERUSALEM CHURCH INSTITUTIONS

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH, J.P. Reporter

Arsonists set fires in three Christian institutions in West Jerusalem early yesterday in attacks apparently aimed at missionary activities.

The attacks were condemned by Government and municipal officials who said repairs not covered by insurance would be financed by public funds.

About 2.30 a.m. a rock was thrown through the plate glass windows of Baptist House on Narkiss Street which houses offices and meeting rooms of the local Baptist congregation. Petrol was spilled through the broken window and set aflame. Damage to books and furniture is estimated at about IL20,000.

At about the same time, vandals climbed the wall of the Swedish Theological Institute on Hanevi'im Street, a seminary for students from abroad. A rear door was forced and petrol spread in corridors and set aflame. Gasoline thrown into a chapel did not catch fire.

Some of the nine students sleeping in the building said they heard wild screams and the sound of breaking furniture from the person or persons who broke in. The students managed to contain the flames somewhat with emergency hoses until the Fire Department arrived. Institute officials estimated the damage at several thousand pounds.

About 5 a.m. fire was seen in Zion House, a block away on Hanevi'im. The institution contains a book store and a meeting room frequented mostly by students and tourists. When firemen got the blaze under control, they found a jerrycan smelling of petrol at a rear window which had been broken. Damage here to books, furniture and an organ was estimated at IL20,000.

Jerusalem Police Commander Heinz Breitenfeld, who visited the arson scenes before dawn, appointed a special squad headed by Inspector Shimon Tal to investigate the incidents. A number of persons were questioned during the day but no arrests were made.

An official of the Jewish Defence League, Aryeh Julius, denied yesterday that his organization had anything to do with the incidents but said that he could imagine that there were people in Israel outraged enough by missionary activities "to do something like that." Nine members of the JDL were convicted in Jerusalem District Court last year of an arson attack a Christian mission on the Mount of Olives. Two were sentenced to four months' imprisonment and the rest given suspended sentences.

Offers to pay for the damage were made immediately after the incidents by the Municipality and the Ministry for Religious Affairs.

Mayor Teddy Kollek warned that violence was contagious and that if directed against one corner of society it could spread to others. He said he was personally acquainted with two of the institutions — Baptist House and the Swedish Institute — and these two were certainly not connected with missionary activities. "Violence against ideas is the worst kind of thing," he said.

Mr. Kollek said he hoped punishments meted out for those apprehended would be more strict than in the past and that those sentenced would have to serve out their terms. "If these were Jews they belong to an infinitesimal, unimportant splinter group which has to be outcast," said Mr. Kollek.

The Minister for Religious Affairs, Dr. Zerah Warhaftig, also denounced the use of violence and expressed regret at the damage that had been caused to the property of three Christian institutions "including some which do not engage in missionary activity." Dr. Shaul Colby, the ministry's Director of Christian Affairs, visited the damaged sites and declared himself "scandalized."

Dr. Robert Lindsey, Pastor of the Baptist Congregation and an internationally known scholar, said, "We've been on this corner since 1926 and have never had trouble until last summer when someone broke three of our windows." He said he thought Americans — apparently American immigrants — had been involved. "I don't think Israelis would do this," he said.

Charles Kopp, who runs Zion House, said swastikas had recently been painted on the walls of the building with spray cans and other acts of vandalism committed. He noted that in the Six Day War he had helped to pile sandbags in Jerusalem the city as a volunteer. "We identify with the State of Israel and its plight," he said. Baptist House officials also did volunteer work during the war.

Unless the perpetrators are quickly found and punished, the attacks could prove extremely embarassing for Israel when and if there are peace talks on the subject of Jerusalem. Israel's claim for recognition of its sovereignty over the Jerusalem rests in good part on the freedom it has been able to offer all religions in the city, officials said.

Israel hoopsters win again in U.S.

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Israel's ambassador to the U.S., Simcha Dinitz, and other Israeli diplomats, took their families to McDonough gymnasium here on Sunday to watch their visiting national basketball team beat Catholic University 93 to 70. The half-time score was tied 37-37.

It was the fourth straight victory for the Israelis, currently touring the U.S. and Canada. Earlier last week, they had beaten Waterloo University in Toronto, the University, and a New York City all-star high school team.

RAINS EXPECTED TO PAUSE TOMORROW

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — Only occasional local showers are forecast for today, with the sky being partly cloudy. It will remain partly cloudy tomorrow, but no rains are expected. The better weather is due to the movement of a low pressure trough from Israel towards Iraq.

Yesterday's rains did not stop visitors to Technology 1974, the Tel Aviv international trade fair, and the Tel Aviv exhibition gardens were crowded.

Although this year's rains have been above average, the Water Commission says they will not make up for the water deficits of the previous years. The Commission decided yesterday that it will cut the water quotas to the farmers by 10 per cent. At present, farmers are permitted to use about 1,200m. cubic metres of water annually.

The farmers are expected to demand a much higher quota, especially in areas where this year's rains has not yet reached the annual average yet. At a preliminary hearing on this topic two weeks ago, the Histadrut's agricultural centre made agreement to a cut in quotas conditional upon larger government funds for research in water economics in agriculture, more funds for developing local water recycling, purifying and re-use of sewage water for agricultural purposes.

The Absorption Ministry's offices at Ben-Gurion Airport were flooded again yesterday as a result of Sunday night's rains. Work continued as usual in the corridor, however, which was protected by plastic sheets spread on the roof.

Rain, occasional thunderstorms, and high winds alternated with sunshine during the 24 hours ending at midnight last night, but temperatures were low during the night. In the Jordan Valley 15 mm. of rainfall was recorded. The Lake of Galilee, rising at the rate of one centimetre a day, reached a level of 210.84 metres below sea level last night.

Yesterday's rainfall, which caused a number of traffic breakdowns in and around Beersheba, brought the winter's total rainfall in the city to 210 mm., already 5 mms. over the average annual rainfall.

Two reserve soldiers were evacuated by helicopter during the early evening when their Leyland truck, requisitioned by the army, got stuck in a flooded wadi near the Beduin village of Tel Sheva. In the afternoon, a Tnuva truck with four passengers was stuck for several hours in the water when it tried to cross the old bridge in Beersheba. A bus also got stuck near Nahal Re'im in the western Negev, but all the passengers were rescued.

In Netanya, 22.5 mms. of rain fell within one hour on Sunday night, bringing the total rainfall this season to 480 mm.-45mm. more than fell during all of last winter. As a result, deep pools formed in the city's main streets, trapping many cars for hours.

SOCCER

The soccer match between Hertha-Berlin and Tel Aviv Maccabi scheduled for this evening has been postponed until tomorrow due to the bad weather. The game will kick off at the Bloomfield Stadium in Jaffa at 6 p.m.

Israel's problems resemble Berlin's says Mayor

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The mayor of We Berlin, Dr. Klaus Schuetz, said h visit was meant to underline Be liners' respect for Israel, "whose pr blems, in some respects, resemb those of Berlin."

Dr. Schuetz told a gathering former Berliners at the Gil halls he yesterday: "We have not forgotte the cultural and economic role Jev played in Berlin. Nor have we fo gotten for a moment the darke period in German history and t fate of the Jews then."

Dr. Schuetz was greeted by t new mayor of Tel Aviv, Shlomo L hat, who is a native of Berlin, whi he left at the age of five. "I ho Tel Avivians will grow to vie wi Berliners in their love of cleanlines gardens and their pride for the city," Mr. Lahat said. The recep tion was held by Dr. Max Flesc president, and Fritz Lewinson, chai man of the Union of Former Be liners in Israel.

In the morning, Mr. Schuetz ca ed on Aharon Yadlin, Labour Par secretary-general, and was ente tained to lunch by the acting secre ary of the Histadrut, Yeruha Meshel. Dr. and Mrs. Schuetz al visited Beit Berl, the Labour Party ideological centre, and called wounded soldiers at the Hess reh bilitation centre in Herzliya. T German ambassador and Mrs. Jess von Puttkamer entertained Dr. a Mrs. Schuetz at their residence Herzliya in the evening.

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TV studio to be set up in J'lem

A new television studio, to pr duce news, educational films a local productions for sale to Isr Television, is to be set up in t Jerusalem Theatre in about t months. The backers of the new e terprise, Discount Bank Investme Corp. and the Idan film compa signed an agreement for the rent of a hall in the theatre at the e of last week.

All the production equipment n cessary for the studio, including 7 cameras, audio-visual recordi equipment and outside broadcastin units, has already been purchased Europe, at a cost of about IL2m.

The studios will produce televis shows and will provide filming a recording services to Israel Tele sion, educational institutions a other enterprises. The investors ho to expand in future to the intern tional television news market and t expanding trade in recorded shows video casettes. For this purpose, t be Uzi Pelled, who was the depu new company — to be called T lad — will also purchase equipme for colour broadcasting.

Managing the new enterprise w be Uzi Pelled, who was the depu chief of the crew which set up Isr Television.

Foreign Ministry 'didn't spread alarm in U.S.'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Labour Minister Yosef Alm has written to Foreign Minis Abba Eban explaining that he h not referred to Foreign Minis information personnel when he cused Israeli emissaries abroad painting a dark and sombre pict of the situation here. Mr. Alm wrote that it was not Fore Ministry people he had in mi but rather the emissaries "various fund-raising bodies."

The United Jewish Appeal, central fund-raising body for rael in the U.S., has already stro ly denied that its officials or en saries are guilty of Mr. Almo charges.

The Labour Minister (and Ha Mayor), who returned recently fr a fund-raising visit to the U and Canada, said he was shoc by the despondency of many J there, caused, he alleged, by unw rantedly miserable reports impressions carried by emissa from Israel.

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Moshav Hamagshimim

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a memorial service and unveiling of the tombstone will be held at his grave in the Petah Tikva Cemetery on Wednesday, Feb. 13, 1974 at 3 p.m.

Family and friends will meet at the Cemetery entrance at 3 p.m.

THE FAMILY

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War inquiry to hear Motti Ashkenazi

Jerusalem Post Staff

The Agranat Committee investigating the war has asked Motti Ashkenazi to give evidence before it — probably next week. The Committee intends to hear several commanders of field units and fortified positions over the coming weeks.

Motti Ashkenazi is the young Hebrew University doctoral student who commanded the northernmost position of the Bar-Lev Line — the only one which did not fall to the Egyptions — and who is now holding a one-man sit-down strike outside the Prime Minister's Office demanding that Defence Minister Dayan resign.

Ashkenazi, a reserve captain, wrote to the Agranat Committee in December asking to give evidence, and the Committee replied then that it had read an account of his views and allegations in "Ma'ariv" and might call upon him to testify at a later stage.

Until this week, the Committee has not heard field officers or fighting soldiers, having confined itself to Cabinet ministers and staff officers. From next week, however, the Committee will begin hearing some of the hundreds of fighting men who have requested to give evidence.

Yesterday, Defence Minister Moshe Dayan appeared before the Committee for a second time. He has now concluded his evidence — though he may be called back towards the end of the hearings for supplementary questions.

Supporters of Ashkenazi reported yesterday they have mustered more than 5,000 signatures on a petition calling for the resignation of Mr. Dayan.

Ashkenazi claims official blunders led to the loss of hundreds of lives including 32 members of his unit. Since "ministerial responsibility" for the omissions rests with the Defence Minister, Mr. Dayan should quit, he says.

Increasing numbers of backers — civilians and soldiers — as well as curious spectators have been arriving at the site of Ashkenazi's demonstration. Yesterday, the visitors coming to express their identification with him included M.K.s Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, Arye Eliav, Shulamit Aloni and Meir Pa'il.

The petition is being circulated at the Hebrew University and in the parking lot where Ashkenazi is holding his vigil.

The University's Student Union yesterday issued a statement backing Ashkenazi, and a group of Alignment-affiliated young activists communicated their sympathy for the captain's position in letters to all Alignment Ministers.

Tomorrow afternoon a "Hyde Park"-style open meeting will be held at the Hebrew University's main campus to hear speakers air their views on the demand raised by Ashkenazi. Professors and public figures are expected to take part.

The younger leadership of the Liberal Party has come out in support of the demonstration of Seren (Res.) Mottie Ashkenazi. They decided to ask the Likud to debate adopting Ashkenazi's campaign, and in the meantime they resolved to send a deputation as a gesture of solidarity.

'Israel needs daring in talks with Arabs'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The U.S. "remains hopeful — indeed optimistic" — that negotiations will begin between Israel and her neighbours other than Egypt, the American ambassador Kenneth Keating said yesterday. Speaking at a luncheon of the Israel-America Society's Jerusalem Committee at Hadassah's Alice Seligsberg Girls' School, the ambassador said such negotiations would "take imagination — and daring determination to break away from the dictates of the past."

He quoted Abraham Lincoln who said after the Civil War: "The dogmas of the quiet past are inadequate to the stormy present... As our case is new, so we must think and act anew."

Mr. Keating quoted another U.S. President, Harry S. Truman, who said 25 years ago: "...It is my desire to help build in Israel a strong, prosperous, free and democratic state. It must be large enough, and strong enough, to make its people self-supporting and secure." Mr. Keating added: "I would say this is a fair statement of American policy toward Israel today."

Introducing the ambassador, Mr. Arye Altman, the chairman of the Society's Jerusalem Committee, warned that in the past "most of those who have tried to solve the problem here tried to solve it at our expense."

Transport Minister Shimon Peres, who also spoke at the luncheon, said Israel hoped that with the reopening of the Suez Canal her conflict with Egypt would begin to subside.

Mr. Keating recounted that on one of his flying visits to Israel U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger had told him: "So long as I'm Secretary you will never get another ambassadorial appointment."

Dr. Kissinger explained that Mr. Keating seemed to cause war wherever he went. He was ambassador to New Delhi when the Indo-Pakistan war took place, and soon after his arrival in Tel Aviv the Yom Kippur War erupted.

Flood evacuees to be rehoused soon — Lahat

By SARAH HONIG

TEL AVIV. — Mayor Shlomo Lahat yesterday promised flood evacuees temporarily housed in two hotels and a school building that the Municipality will speed up solutions to their plight.

Mr. Lahat visited the evacuees yesterday at the Neve Golan school in Jaffa where some 16 families, numbering about 60 people, are currently living and two hotels in which 45 people are being put up until alternative housing can be found. All the families were evacuated when their homes were flooded during the severe rains of last month when the Ayalon stream overflowed.

Mr. Lahat said the evacuees' problems "would be immediately dealt with" and wherever possible they would be provided with permanent housing. He promised that those buildings which could be made available again would be repaired straight away. Those families whose homes had been condemned and are due to be wrecked would be helped to obtain new housing, he added.

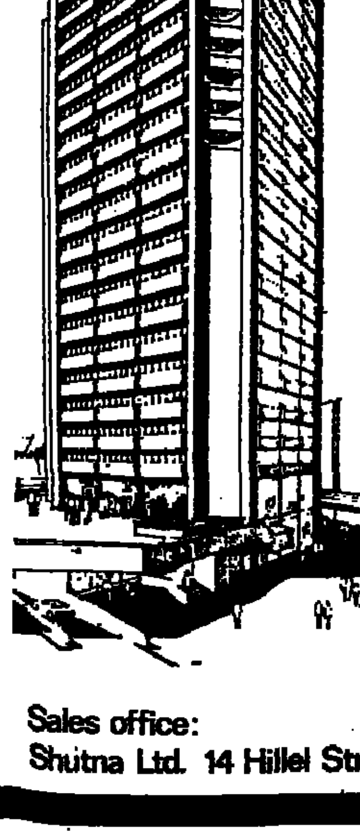
Mr. Lahat toured flooded Jaffa streets to inspect the condition of the buildings.

The mayor has told the emergency services headquarters at City Hall to inform him whenever there is any danger of flooding, to ensure that the city tackles the problems ahead of time.

Deputy Mayor David Shifman, who is in charge of transportation in the new administration, has met with district police commissioner Nitzav David Offer to ensure police cooperation when heavy rains cause traffic jams due to the failure of traffic lights. In such cases, the police will see that there is an officer on the spot as soon as possible to direct the traffic.

The new municipal administration plans to ask the city council to pass a municipal by-law obliging shop owners to sweep the pavements in front of their businesses. Another plan is for a more exacting enforcement of sanitation by-laws and the fines they carry for violators. One of the measures to ensure better enforcement of the by-laws will be to employ municipal inspectors to look out for the litterbugs and for other sanitation law violators during the afternoon and evening hours.

THE CITY TOWER - JERUSALEM



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A soldier stationed on the Golan is given thermal underwear by Jerry Chervin and Dr. Arthur Levinson of Hadassah (see story page 1). Mr. Chervin is holding one of the 100 parkas which were brought into the country specially for a unit in Mazrat Beit Jann. (Posner)

HYDROGEN INSTEAD OF PETROL — TECHNION PLAN

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A research team in the Technion's Physics Department is currently working on a system to convert car engines to run on hydrogen instead of petrol.

According to Professor Peter S. Rudman, who is a member of the department and head of the Solid State Physics Centre, the Technion plan is based on a solid fuel element of a hydride compound which would release hydrogen into the car engine as it moves. It should provide 500 kms. of driving, (the same as a conventional car fuel tank) and could be replaced at filling stations. In the stations the element would be recharged with hydrogen, for reuse. Any adjustment in the car's combustion chamber and fuel pipes would be "modest," and the gasoline tank would be replaced by the hydride element, "which can be made roughly the same size and shape," Prof. Rudman said. He added that he thought this system preferable to the use of liquid or pressurized gas hydrogen, methods scientists abroad were working on.

Prof. Rudman stressed he had not yet carried out any practical experiments on the idea, "which is still on paper at the moment. But there is no question that it is both workable and practicable. The big problem is that we fear it may not be patentable, and we're looking into it." He had suggested that the Technion management put an interdisciplinary research team to work on practical development of the system.

Prof. Rudman said "Israel will make a mistake by rushing to order a nuclear power reactor now, while the prices are at a 'panic' level. The prices are bound to stabilize at a lower level within the next several months, and we should certainly wait until they do."

Another mistake, in his opinion, will be the relatively small, 600 megawatt reactor which the Electric Corporation has apparently decided to buy. "At best such a reactor will save fuel in the future, by obviating the need for more oil-burning power stations. But it will do nothing to solve the major part of our fuel needs, for non-electricity purposes, and will not benefit from the economy of scale," he said.

"If a nuclear reactor is ordered, it should be of 1,000 megawatt. Its excess capacity should be used for producing hydrogen from sea water by electrolysis and thus start converting Israel to a hydrogen economy, which I believe is the real solution for our energy problems," the 46-year-old, American-born graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology told me.

He noted that only about 30 per cent of our fuel consumption goes for the production of electricity, "so our real problem is to find substitutes for oil for the rest of our needs — industrial processes, heating, and motor transport. I am convinced that within the next 10 years (by the time the nuclear reactor will be in operation) hydrogen will become the practicable answer."

Other alternatives to nuclear energy include solar energy, "not the sophisticated but not very practicable solar ponds, but power station constructed of mirrors and wind energy," he said.

"These were neglected because Israel has an Atomic Energy Commission but neither a solar nor wind power commission, as perhaps we should have.

"I propose that we should go into solar and wind research. Their drawback, that they can generate energy only when the sun shines or the wind blows, is not a problem if they are exploited to produce electricity, to be used for making hydrogen which can be stored for when it is needed. There are still storage problems to be overcome with the highly explosive gas, but I'm convinced they'll be overcome within the decade, and we must be ready for a hydrogen economy in Israel." One of the big advantages of hydrogen is that it causes no pollution, its only waste being water vapour, so from the ecological standpoint it is an "ideal" fuel.

Prof. Rudman revealed that a Department team was also "doing a very intensive study of wind energy for generating electricity to produce hydrogen. Preliminary estimates show that "it will pay within 10 years, because of the high price of oil." His main argument is that Israel should not panic into going nuclear to the exclusion of other alternatives, which may be much more suitable for this country, and may if properly developed become attractive enough to warrant exporting to other countries too.

No word yet on Syrian Jewish prisoners

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Three Damascus Jews arrested three years ago have been kept incommunicado for the past six months and all attempts to visit them have failed, according to travellers who visited Syria recently.

The three men are Josef Sewd, Josef Chaim Atari and a man whose name is either Elia or Eliahu, all natives of Damascus. The first two are young shopkeepers who ran family businesses in the Jewish quarter, the latter a prominent Jewish community worker.

They were arrested on allegations of "activities on behalf of Zionism and emigration." The Jewish community engaged lawyers on their behalf and international organizations intervened to obtain their release or public trial.

For some time the three could be visited by their families in the prisons, but for the past six months no one has seen them. All demands that their interrogation be terminated and the prisoners either released or tried have been fruitless.

Grenade in Jaffa

TEL AVIV. — A grenade was thrown into the garden of a house near Gan Tamar in Jaffa at about 1 o'clock on Monday morning. It exploded but caused no damage.

Police were investigating, but no arrests had been made as of last night. *(Itim)*

New call for blood donors

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Magen David Adom yesterday launched a drive to recruit blood donors to meet a critical shortage which has been growing steadily since the end of the Yom Kippur War. A special appeal is being directed at women, who so far have given only rarely, MDA spokesman said at a press conference yesterday.

"Some days we receive as few as 10 donations — and we need between 400 and 500 a day," Professor Moshe Many, chairman of MDA, said yesterday.

During the war, there were far too many donors. Many were asked to come back in quieter times, but have failed to appear.

Now, due to the military situation, the Defence Forces require that a specific quantity be kept in a state of reserve. Since fresh blood spoils and must be turned into plasma after 21 days, this reserve must be renewed continually, Professor Bracha Ramot, head of MDA's blood service, said.

She noted that women rarely donate blood, the reason evidently being that blood was generally collected in places of work, and women still constituted a small portion of the working force. She called on them to volunteer individually at Magen David Adom stations.

"It is possible to donate blood four times a year without any damage whatsoever," it was stressed.

Carmelit fare to go up, new Haifa team decides

HAIFA. — The fare on the Carmelit subway will go up from 35 to 50 agorot a week from tomorrow if the government approves increases in the fares of the public transport services next week, as is expected. This was one of a batch of decisions taken by the new municipal executive at its first meeting yesterday with Mayor Yosef Almogi as chairman.

For the first time, city spokesman Yaacov Buzaglo sat in, at the order of the mayor. For the past 25 years executive meetings were as secret as those of an underground organization.

Mayor Almogi's new team produced a crop of decisions and resolutions. Among them:

- Tenders will soon be issued for the posts of a public relations director, an ombudsman and the head of a sanitation department.
- The two museums now housed in the City Hall building, of ancient and of modern art, are to be moved and their premises turned over to accommodate municipal offices now suffering from lack of space.
- The City Hall is to be equipped, at long last, with an intercom telephone network and an automatic exchange, to replace an obsolete system.
- "One way of antagonizing the public is to keep callers waiting on an overloaded telephone line," Almogi commented.

Another decision was: to return the question of housing for young couples "to where it belongs — the Housing Ministry." The municipality could not and should not engage matters that were the concern of the government. It was almost a scandal that it had tried to undertake the task, the mayor was quoted as saying. A committee of city council members is to decide how obligations towards young couples put on the City Hall's waiting list in 1973 should be fulfilled and how to wind up this undertaking.

Another city service to be reformed is welfare. An expert committee headed by Prof. Joseph Eaton, head of the Haifa University School of Social Work, will prepare recommendations.

'Second start' to H.U. year for reservists

A special second start to the academic year for demobilized soldiers will begin on March 17 at the Hebrew University. Students who had been accepted for the current academic year but were unable to begin because of military service are elegible to enroll.

Students will be able to receive personal counselling on their courses of study during the week preceding March 17. *(Itim)*

Rechtman again Mayor in Rehovot

REHOVOT. — Shmuel Rechtman was unanimously re-elected mayor of Rehovot last night.

Mr. Rechtman's three deputies will serve on a voluntary basis. Rechtman says he is doing this to save on municipal funds. Rechtman will have two deputies fro mthe Likud and one from the Alignment.

Aside from the Likud's 10 seats, the council has three Alignment seats and one each for the NRP and Aguda.

THE RIMON CITRUS and preserves company, of Givat Brenner, was fined IL750 in Haifa Magistrate's Court yesterday for selling a bottle of grapefruit juice which contained two insects.

BROADCASTING CHIEF QUITTING

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A plenary meeting of the Broadcasting Authority this afternoon will be informed of the decision of Authority Director-General Shmuel Almog not to offer his candidacy for another five-year period of service at the expiry of his present term in March. Mr. Almog told the Authority's managing committee on Sunday that he had decided a long time ago not to run for a second term.

SHMUEL ALMOG

Possible reasons for Mr. Almog's decision are said to be political pressure and public criticism of radio and television.

Mr. Almog reportedly told the Board of Directors that he would be willing to continue in his job for a short period, until a successor is appointed. He did not indicate any definite plans for his immediate future.

Education Minister Yigal Allon, under whose jurisdiction the Broadcasting Authority comes, is expected to issue an official statement in the near future, although a new appointment will probably not be made until the new Government has been formed. The name of Moshe Hovav, director of Shidurei Yisrael (radio), has been mentioned as a possible successor to Mr. Almog.

The plenary meeting today will be asked to approve a decision by the managing committee to return radio and Galei Zahal to their prewar standard of daily news magazines. Since the Yom Kippur War they each have four such broadcasts. Before the war the radio had three magazines while Galei Zahal had two, but now wants to retain three.

The plenum is also expected to deal with questions of Friday night programming at its meeting today.

Defence in IL141,000 suit: Diagnosis for breast removal was correct

HAIFA. — The court trying a nurse's IL141,000 suit against the state over removal of her breast in what she says was an operation for non-existent cancer set next Sunday for giving its verdict, after yesterday hearing both sides sum up.

The defence repeated the contention of the woman pathologist who made the contested diagnosis of cancer that the diagnosis had been correct and had saved the 35-year-old patient's life. The plaintiff's counsel stressed that a number of pathologists had testified that the breast had not been cancerous; he also noted that the head of the hospital that performed the operation had told the woman's husband 15 months after the operation that the amputation had been a mistake.

The operation was performed in July, 1970, at the Nahariya Government Hospital, and was followed by a month of radiation treatments in Haifa. These were stopped after doctors at Nahariya concluded the woman had not had cancer and referred the matter to the Health Ministry.

On Friday, the pathologist who made the diagnosis told District Court Judge A. Bechor that she stood by her earlier diagnosis of cancer in its early stages. Another defence witness —Professor Bernard Chernobilksy, head of pathology at Rehovot's Kaplan Hospital — had testified that he had discovered "abnormal changes" in cultures from the breast. One of the cultures had shown "an area suitable to a diagnosis of cancer."

(Earlier, three leading pathologists — Dr. Baruch Gali of Haifa's Rambam Hospital, and Professors Martin Sachs and Eliezer Rosenman of Hadassah Medical Centre in Jerusalem—had testified that the breast had not been cancerous. Dr. Gali and Prof. Sachs had also said the operation should have been delayed for further tests.)

Before yesterday's session began, the plaintiff testified about a series of plastic-surgery operations she is thinking of undergoing to implant an artificial breast. The respondent's representative then said that, if the Health Ministry is found liable, the woman will be able to undergo the implant surgery free at Rambam Hospital. But in his summing up he maintained that the diagnosis had been correct, and that, if a mistake had been made, it was a reasonable one.

The plaintiff's attorney declared that the woman had lived 15 months with the shadow of a non-existent cancer hanging over her. The woman pathologist's claim that the diagnosis and operation had saved his client's life made a very poor impression, he said. *(Itim)*

Mortgage fund for North Americans

A million-dollar mortgage fund for American and Canadian immigrants has been set up by the Jewish Agency, to be administered by the Associations of Americans and Canadians in Israel.

The new AACI president, Mrs. Sima Altman, said yesterday that immigrants will be able to get mortgages of up to IL25,000 through the new fund.

Egyptian boat held in Haifa

HAIFA. — An Egyptian schooner which entered Israeli waters near here yesterday morning was arrested by a navy patrol and brought into Haifa port. The wooden hulled ship with a crew of nine had been on her way from Alexandria to Beirut with a cargo of 200 tons of potatoes. She apparently entered Israeli waters as a result of a storm at sea.

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NIXON PROLONGS THE WATERGATE AGONY

By ANTHONY SAMPSON

WASHINGTON (Ofns). — IN an emphatic conclusion to his State of the Union message, President Nixon insisted that "one year of Watergate is enough." And many besides his supporters would agree with him. Yet once again a new stage in the Watergate mystery was in the process of unfolding, and it was largely of the President's own instigation.

It had begun earlier in the month when Senate Republican leader Hugh Scott announced that, on the evidence he had been shown in the White House, John Dean, the President's former counsel, has been guilty of perjury: and Vice-President Ford had corroborated this view, while admitting that he had not actually looked at the transcripts.

The question of Dean's perjury was, of course, of immense importance, since Dean's testimony last June, accusing the President of having known about the Watergate cover-up, remains the most damaging published evidence against Nixon.

What is remarkable about this new mystery, as about so many earlier Watergate mysteries, is that it was stirred up by the President himself; and that while he has insisted that "one year of Watergate is enough," he has been doing more than anyone to prolong the agony. Partly he has done it by withholding tapes and documents until the last moment; but he has also repeatedly stirred up new controversy by the counterblasts from himself or his supporters.

It has been the President's repeated insistence that he is about to vindicate himself, followed by his inability to do so, which has provided the continuous suspense and puzzlement which has made the Watergate case so inescapable. From "Operation Candour" last November to the President's tax disclosures to the White Papers on ITT and the milk lobby, each new vindication has only raised more questions: and the protestations of Hugh Scott and Gerald Ford are now raising more.

Why has the President felt impelled to fight back so dangerously, when silence would have made it so much easier to forget Watergate? Some evidence has leaked out from the White House (some of it from a just-resigned speech-writer, John Andrews) which suggests that these tactics provoked a major dispute within the White House. On the one hand, Henry Kissinger and General Haig (who succeeded Bob Haldeman as the President's chief aide) advised the President to admit his mistakes more honestly, and to break all connections with his former aides. On the other hand, Nixon's Press Secretary, Ronald Ziegler (the one senior relic from the previous court), insisted that the President should avoid any contrition and "turn Watergate into a plus." It is Ziegler's hand that has been evident in each phase of the President's counter-attacks.

Nixon's own instinct, too, throughout his political career, has been to fight back fiercely. He has always attributed much of his success to his capacity for lonely battle and it is this conviction no doubt that makes him now so insistent on not resigning. But the need to fight back now seems to be far exceeding its usefulness, for it seems to have degenerated into a pattern of overreacting. As Nixon himself observed about Alger Hiss 25 years ago, "those who are lying or trying to cover up something generally make a common mistake — they tend to overact, to overstate their case."

Nixon's over-reaction is now increasingly affecting the politics of the nation by forcing a polarisation. It was evident enough in party terms when Congress listened to his State of the Union message: the Republicans were frantically applauding, while several Democrat leaders kept a stern silence.

But many of the Republican leaders, too, behind their facade, are increasingly uneasy at having to support each new White House campaign. As one key Republican told me last week: "I have to believe him when he tells me he's innocent: but then I remember how Agnew told me the same. The trouble is," he went on, "in this atmosphere, no one can enjoy politics any longer."

But the Republicans still show little sign of escaping from their embattled position, and the Democrats are not very anxious to help them. The impeachment committee of the House of Representatives, though it has voted itself subpoena power, seems unlikely at present to obtain a majority to send the case for trial by the Senate. Many Democrat leaders still prefer the prospect of an enfeebled President Nixon over the next three years to a more credible President Ford, so they may support impeachment more as a gesture than as a serious move to unseat him.

Though Nixon may hang on, he will still not be able to put Watergate behind him: the indictments and trials will drag on, perhaps right through to 1976; and with each new proceeding the coals will be raked over again.

Snow drifts almost cover a home in Calumet, Michigan, and some of the icicles hanging from the roof are more than two metres long. The region has had more than 147 cm. of snow in January. (AP radiophoto)

Reported promise by Faisal

White House denies breach of confidence

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The White House denied yesterday that President Nixon had breached confidentiality with any friendly foreign leader by announcing in his State of the Union address that the Arab oil boycott was likely to be lifted in the near future.

Presidential spokesman Gerald Warren was responding to questions about a published report that Nixon's remarks put undue pressure on King Faisal of Saudi Arabia.

Faisal was said to have made "a quiet promise" to lead the effort to repeal the boycott.

Warren said: "Without referring to any specific friendly leader, I can say the President did not breach any confidentiality."

A column by Rowland Evans and Robert Novak said yesterday that the U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, James Akins, had secured Faisal's private pledge to help end the boycott. However, Faisal did not want this to become public knowledge because it would erode his prestige with militant anti-U.S. Arab leaders, they said.

The columnists said by mentioning the likelihood of the oil boycott ending in his State of the Union message, Nixon had disrupted the quiet diplomacy Akins had conducted.

Arabs to probe 'secret' oil deals with U.S.

TUNIS (UPI). — The question of secret deliveries of oil to the U.S. will be examined by Arab oil ministers at their scheduled meeting in Tripoli on Thursday, the Libyan Press Agency said yesterday in a dispatch monitored here.

In Vienna, the Secretary-General of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) yesterday condemned the Washington oil consumers' conference and warned that formation of a consumers' group would lead to confrontation with oil producers.

Dr. Abderrahman Khene, Opec's chief executive, said the setting up of any kind of consuming group of powerful industrialised countries would inevitably lead to confrontation.

He said the 12-nation producers' organisation would prefer a meeting of producers and consumers under U.N. auspices. Opec believed an "exchange of views and information with oil-consuming countries could be useful." *(UPI, Reuter)*

Strike leads to chaos in Germany

BONN. — Chancellor Willy Brandt government backed down yesterda and prepared a new wage offer fo public service workers, as a wave o transport strikes created chaos fo commuters across West Germany.

Federal and local government ne gotiators were still meeting trac union leaders yesterday in a las ditch effort to avert a widespre paralysis of the public services.

Millions of factory and offi workers had to walk to work ye terday morning when the first larg scale transport strike in West Ge man history halted buses and tran in all major cities.

Airports resembled refugee camp as many of the ground staff an baggage handlers ceased work an thousands of passengers mille around, carting their own baggag and trying to find the right plan

Wage negotiations broke dow more than a week ago when th Bonn government rejected th unions' demand for a 15 per ce increase and stuck at 9.5 per cen No details of the government's ne offer have leaked out.

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Refuse collection and post deliveries were disrupted in mar parts of the country, as the union swung into the first phase of th official strike, following a ballot which around 90 per cent of th trade unionists voted in favour action.

The strike had curious effects. Stuttgart, it caused a number moving stairs to stop. In Main strikers paralysed work in four seven state ministries by cuttin the current to secretaries' electr typewriters. Mail carriers struck some parts of West Berlin a Frankfurt, while clerks in aut mobile licensing offices in son other towns walked off their jo Storekeepers in Hanover's ci centre reported only half as ma customers as normal for Monday

Meanwhile the East Germa closed down the West Berl elevated railway in sympathy wi the public service workers' strik but the Western union immediate disavowed Communist support. *(Reuter, UP.*

FBI seeking seven in Hearst kidnap

BERKELEY, California (AP).— The FBI says it is now seeking seven persons in the kidnapping of newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst and is "running out any number of leads" outside the State.

But the weekend passed without further word from the Symbionese Liberation Army (SLA), which said in a letter on Thursday it was holding 19-year-old Miss Hearst.

At the Hearst mansion in Hillsborough, a family spokesman said that Sunday was "a day of nothingness" for the victim's distraught parents, Mr. and Mrs. Randolph A. Hearst. The father is president and editor of the "San Francisco Examiner."

"Everybody is clinging to the hope that the mail will bring something," the spokesman said.

The last letter said Miss Hearst would "be maintained in adequate physical and mental condition and unharmed," if the kidnappers' conditions are met.

"Should any attempt be made by authorities to rescue the prisoner or to arrest or harm SLA elements, the prisoner is to be executed," the letter said. It promised that "further communications will follow."

An FBI agent said on Sunday that in addition to five persons previously sought, authorities are looking for a white couple in their 20s. The two were parked in a dark, Volkswagen sedan near the Berkeley apartment from which Miss Hearst was carried last Monday night, screaming for help.

Composite drawings of the white woman and two black men who broke into the apartment and carried Miss Hearst off in the trunk of their car were released by the FBI on Sunday.

The SLA, which says it has branches in other cities, has only about 25 persons in its multi-racial group in this area, police say.

There has been speculation that instead of asking money to finance what they describe as their revolutionary work against the establishment, the SLA would seek release of two members held in San Quentin prison.

The two, Joseph Remiro, 27, and Russell Little, 24, are charged with the ambush shooting death of Oakland schools Supt. Marcus Foster last November 6.

Further denial on remark about Faisal

WASHINGTON (JTA). — A report over the weekend that Secretary of State Henry Kissinger had described King Faisal of Saudi Arabia as a "religious fanatic" at a meeting with a group of Jewish writers and Harvard professors more than two months ago has been branded as untrue and inaccurate by those who were there.

At the same time, deep suspicion has arisen within part of the Jewish leadership in New York and Washington that detailed information about the private, off-the-record meeting with Kissinger on December 6 was made available for publication in Washington solely to embarrass Kissinger on the eve of the oil conference in Washington.

Harvard sociology professor Seymour Lipset, one of the participants at the December 6 gathering, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that it is the consensus of the people present that Dr. Kissinger did not make the remark about Faisal. The reported reference to the Saudi Arabian monarch may have been used by some other person present.

Lipset said he had read the reports of the meeting by a "Washington Post" reporter and thought various things in it were accurate and others inaccurate. He was emphatic and specific however that Kissinger did not make the remark about Faisal.

Machine-gun spray kills Belfast boy

BELFAST (UPI). — Machine-gun attackers sprayed bullets into two cars carrying meat-packing workers into their factory in a North Belfast suburb yesterday, killing a 16-year-old youth, police said.

The youth was identified as Thomas Donaghy and his death brought the number of fatalities to 952 in more than four years of violence among Northern Ireland's majority Protestants, minority Catholics and security forces.

The attackers, in a car parked near the factory entrance in Newtown Abbey, sprayed machine-gun fire on the two cars — one carrying five Roman Catholics and the other two Protestants — and then sped away, police said.

At least five other workers were injured. One, an 18-year-old Catholic woman, was reported in serious condition, after being hit seven times — in the stomach, chest, shoulders, legs and hands — police said.

The machine-gunning occurred near where gunmen killed two electricity workers and wounded three others last month. In that incident the gunmen singled out Catholics.

Earlier, a Catholic courting couple, both 19-years-old, were machine-gunned as they sat in their car on a quiet road near the County Tyrone town of Moy, 48 km. southwest of Belfast.

The girl, shot in the back, was taken to hospital in serious condition and the youth was wounded in the hand.

Police said a car drew up alongside the couple's vehicle and a man got out and aimed a machine-gun burst at them.

Tourist in USSR gets two years

LENINGRAD (UPI). — A Leningrad court yesterday sentenced a 29-year-old British tourist to two years in a labour camp for "negligently" setting fire to his hotel room.

Alexander Paton, a Glasgow bar manager, broke into tears when the sentence was announced.

"Oh, no," he said. "Don't lock me up alone. Not solitary confinement, please."

The court also ordered him to pay more than $50,000 in damages, but gave no indication of whether he would be allowed to leave the Soviet Union before the amount is paid.

Paton said he does not have the money and as a prisoner here he will not be able to earn more than a few roubles a month.

CHESS UPSET FOR RUSSIAN

By ELIAHU SHAHAF
Jerusalem Post Chess Correspondent

Twenty-two-year-old Brazilian grandmaster Henrique Mecking has became the second "foreigner" to score against the Russians in the world chess preliminaries.

Mecking on Sunday acknowledged the resignation of Viktor Korchnoi of the Soviet Union in the adjourned 12th game played on Saturday in Augusta, Ga. Mecking's win narrows the Russian's lead to 2-1 in the 16-game competition.

The young Brazilian grandmaster's confidence has been steadily improving and what was considered almost a sure victory for Korchnoi at the end of game 11 (which, like the 10th, was drawn) proved otherwise and now has become an intriguing issue. However, with three games to go, Korchnoi stands a better chance to qualify for the semi-finals since he needs only one victory to clinch the match.

Here is the 12th game (Ruy Lopez opening) Mecking playing white. 1.E4 E5 2.KTF3 KTC6 3.BB5 A6 4.B:C6 D:C 5.0-0 QD6 6.D3 F6 7.BE3 BG4 8. KTBD2 0-0-0 9.RB1 KTE7 10.B4 G5 11.A4 KTG6 12.B5 C:B 13.A:B A:B 14.R:B5 QC6 15.RB2 BC5 16.KTB3 BB4 17.KTFD4 E:D 18.Q:C4 QD7 19.Q:D7 R:D7 20.KT:D4 BC3 21.RA2 R:D4 22.RA3 RB4 23.R:C3 RE8 24.F3 KD7 25.RA1 RB5 26.KF2 KD6 27.R1A3 H5 28.RA4 C6 29.RCA3 G4 30.R RSE5 31.R:B5 R:B5 32.F:G H 33.KG3 RB2 34.BD4 RB1 35.R B5 36.B:F6 B4 37.RB3 RF1 38.B C5 39.C3 B:C 40.R:C3 RD1 41.R C4. Black resigns. The 13th ga will be played tomorrow.

The 11th game in the Major quarter-final match between Laj Portisch and Tigran Petrosian w postponed when the former wo champion took "time out" on Sa day.

Boris Spassky has held two sim taneous exhibitions in New Yo In the Chess City Studio Spass took on 41 opponents, lost one gam drew eight and won all the othe At the U.N. the 37-year-old form world champion played 13 and o ted all of them but one. The luc player to draw was a fellow citiz of the Soviet Union, Oleg Bugay a Ukrainian in the U.N.

Pompidou back to worl

PARIS (AP). — President Geor Pompidou returned to the Ely Palace yesterday to resume his ficial duties after four days at private apartment recovering fr an influenza infection.

Pompidou's illness and abse from his office set off a widespr wave of speculation that he mi have to resign because of he problems.

U.K. ARCHITECT JAILED IN CORRUPTION CASE

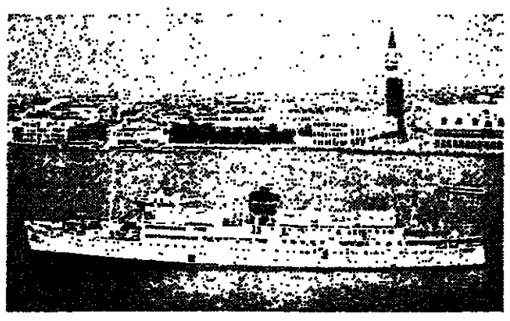
LEEDS (UPI). — Former international architect John Poulson and a senior Scottish Office Civil Servant, George Pottinger, received five-year prison sentences yesterday on corruption charges.

After a case lasting 52 days and costing £1,250,000, the jury returned a verdict that Poulson corruptly made gifts to Pottinger to influence his conduct as a civil servant.

Mr. Justice Waller said that Pottinger received more than £30,000 worth of gifts from Poulson since they first met six years ago.

"Our society has prided itself on its standards of integrity and incorruptibility in its public service, and cases of corruption in government services are rare,'

"To offer corrupt gifts strikes at the very foundation of our government system — to accept them is a betrayal of trust."



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Solzhenitsyn refuses to accept summons

'First punish those guilty of mass executions and false informers'

MOSCOW. — Alexander Solzhenitsyn received a new summons from the State Prosecutor's Office yesterday — his second in four days — and again refused to accept it.

The author told authorities he would not obey the summons because of the "general illegality" in the Soviet Union, including an eight-year campaign of "slander and harassment" against him.

Solzhenitsyn said that before asking citizens to obey the law authorities should fulfil it by releasing the innocent from captivity and punishing those responsible for past crimes.

Solzhenitsyn gave this reply in writing to the policeman who brought the summons, and later made a copy available to Western newsmen.

"I refuse to recognize the legality of your summons and shall not appear at an interrogation in any state institution," he said.

The summons was for this morning at the "Investigation Department" of the State Prosecutor's Office.

When the first summons arrived on Friday, Solzhenitsyn's wife refused to accept it because it lacked a registration number as required by law.

Solzhenitsyn said the summons yesterday had a number and was signed by the same "Prosecuting Attorney A. Balashov" who sent the first.

Friday's summons was the first action of a judicial nature against Solzhenitsyn since the publication of his book "The Gulag Archipelago" in Paris at the end of September. The book describes Stalinist repressions.

Solzhenitsyn's statement said: "Before asking legality from citizens learn how to observe it yourself. Free the innocent from confinement.

"Punish those guilty of mass executions and false informers. Punish the administrators and the special organs which have performed genocide. Remove from local and regional satraps their unlimited power over citizens..." *(UPI, AP)*

Early-morning pickets take a cup of coffee outside a colliery near Barnsley. *(AP radiophoto)*

Clashes as police break U.K. miners' picket

LONDON (UPI). — Striking mineworkers clashed yesterday with safety crews for the second consecutive day in Britain's two-day-old national mines shutdown, and a miners' leader said threats have been made to kill him.

Prime Minister Edward Heath, who ordered a national general election February 28 after his last-ditch efforts to head off the strike failed, lashed out at the opposition Labour Party yesterday, charging that "its whole axis has swung to the left wing."

But his Labour Party opponent, Harold Wilson, said it was "fraudulent" to ask the country to vote on the coal mines issue. He accused Heath's governing Conservative Party of "disastrous and divisive policies."

The rival party chiefs attacked each other at news conferences as the mineworkers' strike became increasingly bitter.

At Gedling, near Nottingham, men instructed to carry out safety work in the mines ran into jeering strike pickets shouting abuse. After first fights and jostling, police forced a way through.

Joe Whelan, a local leader, accused the safety men, who belong to another union, of "acting provocatively" in crossing mineworkers' picket lines. He said their car numbers were being taken and "they might come out of a pub and find the wheels missing."

Whelan said threats have been made to kill him and he was moving his family "to safety."

After restricting their picket lines to coal pits on Sunday, the mineworkers have now sent them to halt fuel supplies to power stations and steel plants. They said they also were setting up picket lines at ports to block coal imports.

Railroad unions said they would refuse to move coal to power plants.

About 70 per cent of Britain's electric power is coal produced.

Private bid to end strike

LONDON (UPI). — The mineworkers union has called a special meeting of its 27-man executive for today to discuss an offer by a group of businessmen to put up £80,000 daily to get the coal miners back to work.

The businessmen, whose names were not disclosed, said the money would provide between £1.50 and £2 extra pay daily for each miner until the pay dispute is settled. Meanwhile, the miners would return to work.

Report on 'murder and kidnap campaign'

Japanese-Arab terror planned

LONDON (Reuter). — The "Daily Express" reported from Beirut yesterday that terrorist squads drawn from both the Japanese Red Army and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) are planning a new campaign of kidnapping and murder in Asia and Europe.

The report, from correspondent Arthur Chesworth, said the operations would follow the pattern of strikes last week in Singapore, where oil tanks were attacked and hostages held, and in Kuwait, where the Japanese Embassy was occupied.

The correspondent said he was briefed on the planned campaign by Palestinians opposed to it, who told him last week's attacks were "just a rehearsal."

Quoting a PFLP spokesman as saying that aircraft hijackings were "old hat," the correspondent said the terrorists planned to kidnap and kill in a bid to halt what he described a growing support among Palestinians for representation at peace talks with Israel.

According to the report, the planned campaign is being masterminded by Dr. Wadi Haddad, 47, the PFLP's chief of foreign operations, from headquarters in Baghdad.

A report on new terrorist plans appeared yesterday also in the "Daily Telegraph," which said that the Provisional Wing of the Irish Republican Army was operating in Europe and had initiated raids by Dutch supporters against the British Army in Germany.

The newspaper alleged that the Dutch police allowed the leader of the gang, Jim McCann, 32 — who escaped from a Belfast jail in 1971 — to get away after a top-level directive from the Dutch Ministry of Justice.

The report said the IRA squad had been using hashish sales to finance arms buying, and that an English girl and two Dutch members of the ring had been arrested on drug charges.

The paper quoted a "reliable source" as saying that the Dutch Justice Minister had "called off the investigation for fear that Holland would be involved in a diplomatic row over IRA intrigue on the continent."

"There is a real threat that had McCann been arrested in Holland, it could have sparked off a wave of retaliatory IRA bombings," the report said.

U.S. forced to blow up $18m. rocket

CAPE CANAVERAL (Reuter). — A Titan Centaur rocket, flight tested for the first time here yesterday, was deliberately blown up only minutes after launch because of a system failure.

Space officials said the rocket's Centaur upper stage, scheduled to ignite eight minutes after the launch, twice failed to ignite and the $18m. spacecraft veered off course and had to be destroyed.

The Titan Centaur, designed for use in future interplanetary space missions, was scheduled for a seven-hour test mission yesterday, during which the Centaur was to be test-fired four times in space.

Officials said it was the first Centaur failure in a number of years. Previously, the Centaur had been used successfully.

'U.K. OUT TO SELL ARMS TO EGYPT'

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — The Ministry of Defence would neither confirm nor deny a report in yesterday's "Daily Express" by the well-informed and usually reliable defence correspondent Chapman Pincher that a big arms sales mission, including ministry officials and representatives of leading arms firms, is to visit Cairo shortly.

It has been reliably learned here, however, that several British arms firms are going to Egypt to put on what are called "standard demonstrations" of equipment. Among the items being mentioned as being of special interest to the Egyptians is the Rapier anti-aircraft missile, radar equipment and planes.

While it may be premature to talk about imminent sales, it is evident that the recent lifting of the Middle East arms embargo by Foreign Seceretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home has cleared the way for British firms to make an all-out effort to capture some of the huge market which the Arab states represent.

Go-ahead to clear Canal expected soon

CAIRO (Reuter). — President Anwar Sadat is expected to give the go-ahead shortly to clear the 160 Km. Suez Canal, which was the dividing line between Egyptian and Israel forces for more than six years. Egypt has earmarked £15m. *(about IL158m.) for the first stage* of clearing the Canal and hopes for foreign funds to help pay for the operation, estimated to cost about £90m.

After the clearance operation is completed, the Suez Canal Authority hopes to start an ambitious programme to widen and deepen the waterway, an operation to be carried out in two stages and estimated likely to cost about £500m.

The first phase, due for completion in three to four years, aims at deepening the Canal to allow the passage of 16-metre draught vessels, compared with the 11-metre draught limit on the Canal before the Six Day War.

The second stage, to be completed in three years, will be to deepen the waterway even more to allow the transit of 20.4-metre draught vessels.

Canal revenues had annually increased by about 10 per cent in the years preceding the 1967 war, as a result of rises in the volume of world trade. The Canal's revenue in 1966 reached £95m.

It is expected revenues will rise by no less than another 10 per cent a year during the development programme, and the Suez Canal authority expects Egypt to earn more than £230m. a year from the Canal in 1980.

Present capacity of the Canal is 25,000 vessels per year, with a daily average of 68 vessels. But with the widening and deepening project completed, the annual capacity is likely to reach 28,500 ships.

The Japanese Govo concern has conducted extensive technical talks on widening and deepening the Canal, but financial terms have not yet been settled.

Bourguiba acts against ex-FM

TUNIS (UPI). — President Bourguiba yesterday suspended former Foreign Minister Mohammed Masmoudi from the ruling Socialist Destourian Party and ordered him to appear before a commission of inquiry, Government officials said.

Masmoudi was dismissed as Foreign Minister shortly after the January 12 announcement of a plan to merge Libya and Tunisia. Political sources said government officials considered him the architect of the plan, which was received with little enthusiasm in Tunisia.

Bourguiba is at present resting in Switzerland.

A government communique quoted Bourguiba as saying: "Following the acts of indiscipline and behaviour incompatible with the policy of the government ... of Mr. Mohammed Masmoudi, to whom I gave my confidence, I have decided to suspend him from all political activity within the party pending his appearance before a commission of inquiry conforming to the internal rules of the party."

Iraq added to Ceausescu tour

VIENNA (Reuter). — Rumanian President Nicolae Ceausescu will visit Iraq from February 19 to 21, the official Rumanian News Agency Agerpress reported yesterday.

The Rumanian leader is due to arrive in Tripoli today at the start of a Middle East tour that will take him to Libya, Lebanon, Syria and Iraq and possibly other Arab states as well.

Polish-Libyan oil deal

WARSAW (UPI). — Poland and Libya yesterday signed a long-term agreement on economic cooperation guaranteeing Poland supplies of oil for the next six years, the Polish News Agency, PAP, said.

The agreement, the first in the history of both countries, was signed by Libyan Premier Abdel Salam Jalloud at the end of a four-day visit. Jalloud then flew to Czechoslovakia for a three-day visit. The Libyan Premier is expected to discuss the strengthening of economic ties between his country and Prague.

Ethnic Germans demonstrate

Russians arrest two U.S. newsmen covering protest

MOSCOW (UPI). — Troops and police broke up demonstrations yesterday by two groups of Soviet citizens of German origin, detained two American newsmen covering the incident and seized the correspondents' film.

Authorities arrested about 23 ethnic Germans and accused the two newsmen, Ray Moseley and Christopher Ogden of United Press International, of taking part in "a preplanned provocation." The American Embassy said it has been in touch with the Foreign Ministry but has not decided what action, if any, to take. There was no interference with other newsmen at the scene who did not have cameras.

The ethnic Germans, all residents of the former Independent Republic of Estonia, went to the Communist Party Central Committee offices to protest the refusal of authorities to let them emigrate to West Germany. Sources said they had been trying to emigrate for three or four years.

They came in two groups, 18 at first and then about five others. Police and border troops on guard outside the building seized them just as they tried to unfurl protest signs.

But one woman and her two sons chained themselves to a traffic light and had to be cut loose.

The newsmen were detained by an army officer when they took photographs of the first group, and were held by police for three hours and 35 minutes.

Police demanded their film but the newsmen declined to give it to them. The newsmen repeatedly asked permission to call the U.S. consulate, a right guaranteed under the U.S.-Soviet consular convention, but police refused.

Finally a police captain read them a statement he said was dictated to him by the Foreign Ministry press department.

"You have taken part in a preplanned provocation," he said. "In doing so you are interfering in the internal affairs of the Soviet state."

Western diplomats said the incident, plus others in recent months, suggest the Soviets have decided on a tougher policy toward Western newsmen covering dissident activities.

Battle against Moslem rebels

Thousands flee as planes hit Philippine town

MANILA (AP). — Thousands of refugees fled yesterday from the blazing town of Jolo in the southern Philippines, where air force planes were reported bombing and strafing in support of government troops battling invading Moslem secessionists, reliably informed military sources said.

About 6,000 refugees, most of them Moslems, landed by boat yesterday in Zamboanga City, 160 km. north of Jolo, the capital of the Sulu Islands, 960 km. south of Manila, according to government social welfare officers.

In the first comment by a high-ranking military officer on the rebel attack launched four days ago, Maj.-Gen. Fidel Ramos, commander of the Philippine Constabulary, reported that one-quarter to one-third of Jolo Town was burned. He spoke to newsmen at a reception for visiting Australian Prime Minister Gough Whitlam.

Ramos also claimed that government forces had pushed the invading rebels five to 10 km. out of the town. Before the eruption of fighting in Jolo, the town had doubled its population to more than 80,000 people, as refugees from the island interior had sought shelter during 6 months of rebel activity.

The Government has described the rebels as "Maoists." The dissidents, claiming to be members of the Moro National Liberation Front, have said they were fighting for independence for predominantly Moslem areas in Sulu and in south and central Mindanao, the Philippines' major southern island.

Military sources reported planes had attacked Jolo after rebels overran the island's only airport, captured the headquarters of the First Army Brigade next to the airstrip and almost took a military communications outpost in the neighbouring Notre Dame College building. The military sources said 19 Philippine government soldiers were killed.

Rockets hit Phnom Penh

PHNOM PENH. — Insurgent rockets and shells blasted southern sections of Phnom Penh yesterday near the U.S. Embassy, killing at least a dozen civilians in a crowded market area, on-the-scene reporters said.

The barrage — at least 15 rounds — broke 10 days of respite for Phnom Penh's population from rebel attacks that have rounded the capital since December 23 and left almost 200 dead and 500 wounded.

Some of the shells fell within 100 metres of the U.S. Embassy, reporters there said.

Casualty figures were expected to soar as rescue squads attempted to free persons trapped in burning homes and remove bodies from the debris.

In the fighting in South Vietnam nearly 200 men have been killed or wounded on both sides in a three-day clash between Communist forces and a South Vietnamese government column near the Cambodian border, it was announced yesterday.

The battle, still continuing 23 km. south-west of the central highlands town of Pleiku, erupted last Friday when government reinforcements on their way to Le Minh border base ran into heavy resistance. The South Vietnamese military command said yesterday that 38 more North Vietnamese were killed in fighting on Sunday, bringing Communist losses so far to 118 dead. The command put government losses at 37 killed and 35 wounded. *(AP, Reuter)*

'He has skilfully neutralized all opponents'

SADAT — THE No. 1 ARAB

NEW YORK (AP). — The ease with which President Sadat ousted Egypt's influential editor Mohammed Hassanein Heikal, "indicates how much popularity the placid Sadat now enjoys, how he has skilfully neutralized all the political opponents who challenged him."

"Time" magazine gave this estimate of the Egyptian President's current power after the October War and "Newsweek" added that Sadat and his government have drawn up a six-year, $7 billion reconstruction programme designed to lure Arab and Western capital to Egypt. "Newsweek" said this included $1.5 billion to deepen and widen the Suez Canal and billions more for the rebuilding of Port Said and Suez city both of which are reported to become tax-free ports — as well as Ismailiya and Kantara.

"Newsweek" devoted 14 pages in its latest issue to a report on the Arabs. It said: "Times have changed. A people once maligned as 'wogs' and nations long dismissed as backward deserts now are treated by the rest of the world with deadly seriousness."

Tracing the history of the Middle East countries through the centuries, "Newsweek" said: "The Arabs now have begun to see themselves in a new light. They have hardly had time to savour their new eminence, but among all the Arab peoples today there is a billowing conviction that their world has been transformed. Thanks to two sudden and surprising successes — the October War with Israel and the oil boycott — an entire people has begun to feel a new sense of power, importance and pride. This Arab awakening sprang up like a desert windstorm..."

Mrs. Sadat ...

"Newsweek" named Sadat "The unquestioned Number One Arab," despite the unquestioned importance of Saudi Arabia's King Faisal and his oil technocrats. And it quoted an Arab editor as saying Sadat could bring the Arabs a brighter future because "he has the brains, he has the courage, and all he needs is a little luck."

"Newsweek" concluded that "certainly the mood and activity in Egypt now indicate that Sadat is earnestly campaigning for peace" and has already drawn up plans for one of the most massive reconstruction plans since the end of World War II.

"Time" says that Sadat's only rival for popularity among Egyptians these days is a safe and sure ally — his wife, Jehan Sadat, aged 40.

Mrs. Sadat told "Time" interviewers that she had not known beforehand about Egypt's plans to go to war in October, although she guessed something was happening because of Sadat's many meetings with his generals.

"Time" said that Mrs. Sadat's main contribution to Egyptian life has been raising the peacetime stature of Egyptian women.

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TEL AVIV

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CINEMAS

TEL AVIV
(4.30, 7.15, 9.30)

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JERUSALEM
(4.00, 7.00, 9.00)

ARNON: Monique; CHEN: Boranks in the Gymnasium; EDEN: The Getaway; EDISON: The Steel Finger; HABIRAH: Decameron No. 2; JERUSALEM: Splendour in the Grass; OREGIL: Diary of a Virgin; ORION: The Mackintosh Man; OFENA: Class of 44; RON: Gone With The Wind; SEMADAR: Far From the Madding Crowd.

HAIFA
(4.00, 7.00, 9.00)

AMPHITHEATRE: Emperor of the North Pole; ARMON: L'aventure C'est L'aventure; ATZMON: The Stone Killer; BEIT ROTHSCHILD: Two Women, Mouchette, Ni Vu Ni Connu; CHEN: Le Grand Blond Une Chaussure Noire; MORIAH: Kazablan; MIRON: Fist to Fist; ORAH: Blume in Love; OREDAN: The Last Summer; ORION: Mrs. Wartt; ORLY: What Do You Say To A Naked Lady?; PEER: Theatre of Blood....; RON: The Erotic Priest; SHAVIT: Even Angels Eat Beans.

RAMAT GAN

ARMON: The Wounded Butterfly; HADAR: The Daring Dobermans; LILI: Scarecrow; OASIS: The Bigamist; ORDEA: The Dead Are Alive; RAMA: Big Boss; RAMAT GAN: L'heritier.

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ON THE AIR

HEBREW NEWS AND NEWSREELS
1st Programme: NEWS: Every hour on the hour, except 1 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m. 1.05 p.m., 7.05 and 11.05 p.m.
2nd Programme: News: Every hour on the hour, except 7 and 8 p.m. and 4 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m., 1.05 p.m. and 11.05 p.m.
Galei Zahal: News: Every hour on the hour. Newsreels: 8.05 a.m., 12.05 and 5.05 p.m. and 12.05 a.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME
254, 522 and 221 M.

7.58 a.m. Opening 8.05 "Morning Concert" — Haydn: Symphony No. 75 in D-major (The Esterhasy Orchestra conducted by David Blum); Vivaldi: Concerto for Violin, Cello, Strings and Harpsichord (Soloists, and the Moscow Chamber Orchestra conducted by Rudolf Barshai); Respighi: "Triptich Boticelli" (Conductor: Franz Litschauer). 9.05 Saint-Saens: Piano Concerto No. 2 in G-minor (Soloist: Aldo Ciccolini); Tchaikovsky: Francesca da Rimini" (Conductor: Charles Muench). 9.55 English News. 10.05 Khatchaturian: Cello Concerto Soloist: Sviatoslav Knushevitzky); Duparc: "Leonore" (Conductor: Antonio de Almeida). 10.55 French News. 11.00 News in easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programmes for Elementary School. 11.35 Song and Melody. 12.15 Programmes for Elementary School. 12.35 "Midday Concert" — Tolar: Balletto ("Pro-Arte Antiqua" Ensemble); Lully: Suite Francaise (Conductor: Jean-Francois Paillard). 1.05 At Midday. 1.25 Midday Concert — Smetana: "Richard the Third" (Conductor: Rafael Kubelik); Novak: "Marisa" (Conductor: Karel Sejna); Dvorak: "My Home" (Conductor: Istvan Kertesz). 2.05 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radioda" — "Bettering Your Knowledge." 4.05 "Musical continuity" produced by Paul Landau. 5.05 "Classical Request Programme for Soldiers". 5.55 English News. 6.05 "People and Figures". 6.25 "TIB 130". 7.05 "Today". 7.25 Light Music. 7.50 Bible Reading: Yirmiyahu, chaps. 21 and 22. 8.05 Reminiscences of Bretz Yisrael. 8.15 "Towards the Concert." 8.30 The Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra (direct relay in Stereo from the Jerusalem Theatre) — Conductor: Lukas Foss, Soloists: Bracha Eden and Alexander Tamir (Two Pianos). The Portrait of a Composer: Felix Mendelssohn: Overture: "Ruy Blass", Concerto in E-major for Two Pianos and Orchestra — Intermission — Music to "A Midsummernight's Dream", (Soloists: Zita Grossmeyer and Ady Etzion with the Tel Aviv Philharmonic Choir. 11.05 "Tonight." 11.35 The story of San Michele. 12.05 A moment of poetry. 12.08 Close Down. 2.05-5.00 Hebrew songs and tunes. 5.05-8.00 Same as second programme.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 256, 248, 385 and 340.5 M.

5.05 Hebrew Songs and Tunes. 5.55 Religious Service. 6.05 Exercises 6.15 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning. 7.25 Hebrew songs. 8.55 "Green Light." 8.05 Announcements 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 Names and Events in the Headlines 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.). 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.40 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 "Smile — Songs and Sketches 1.05 "At Midday" 1.25 Hebrew Songs. 2.10 "Long-play Crossword puzzle" — with Ehud Manor. 3.05 Popular songs — Regards. 3.58 Encore — ed. by S. Rosen. 4.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.06 "Passport to Song." 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.35 "Passport to Song (cont.). 5.05 "With Soldiers". 6.05 Oriental Songs. 6.45 Today's sport. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 "The World of Pop-Fashion, Art and Politics." 10.05 "The Records Library at Your Service." 10.52 Light Music. 11.05 "Tonight." 11.35 Jazz. 12.05-3.00 Songs and Tunes.

FIFTH PROGRAMME
445 M.

6.58 Opening 7.00 News. 7.25 Song and Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 Song and Melody

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR

7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. Ivrit La'am. 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi 8.30 Rumanian 8.45 Russian 9.00 Close Down.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
9.55 a.m. (1st programme);
1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves);
5.55 p.m. (1st programme);
8.30-8.45 p.m. (4th programme);
10.00-10.45 p.m. (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
1.55 a.m. (1st programme);
10.55 a.m. (1st programme);
6.50 p.m. (1st programme);
8.45-9.00 p.m. (4th programme);
12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).

1st Programme — 256, 523 and 221 M.
4th Programme — 407, 445 and 292 M.
3rd Programme (short waves) — 16, 19, 25, 31, 33, 41 and 49 M.

GALEI ZAHAL

6.05 Early Morning Tunes — greetings 6.55 For Soldiers and their families. 7.05 Morning Tunes. 7.55 Programme Trailer 8.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 8.30 Requests. 9.55 "There are problems" 10.05 Requests. 10.55 With Uri Sela 11.05 Warm and Tasty 11.55 Tamar Maroz suggests. 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 Warm and Tasty. 1.30 "It Reminds Me" with Hanna Zemer. 1.35 Warm and Tasty. 1.55 Announcements. 2.05 Entertainment programme with Mani Peer and Revital Amit. 2.30 Quiz. 2.57 Programme Trailer. 3.05 Entertainment programme (cont.) 4.05 Please Call. 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 5.40 Tunes for Everybody. 6.05 "Mida Gidi 1974" 7.05 "From Her to You" — with Edna Peer. 8.05 New Song Corner 8.30 By Request. 10.05 Let's Talk — with Nathan Donevitz. 11.53 "Midnight Talk." 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 "Night Birds" — with Uri Lotan and Pnina Bat-Zvi. 2.05 "Trials in History." 3.05 Tunes in the Night.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE

5.30 News. 5.32 Service Broadcast. 6.42 Science Series. 6.10 Dr. Doolittle. 8.00 "Robbotek." 8.30 Mabat. 9.00 Mannix. 9.50 Moked. 10.40 Entertainment from Abroad. 11.15 News. 11.20 Service broadcast.

Educational: 7.50 Science 6. 8.15 Advice and Guidance 8. 8.40 Electricity 10. 9.05 Maths. 7. 10.00 English 9. 10.20 English 6. 10.45 For Kindergarteners. 11.05 Geometry 9. 11.25 English 7. 12.00 English 10. 12.20 English 8. 1.00 Technology 9. 1.20 Citizenship 7. 4.00 Guidance for Teachers.

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JERUSALEM DISTRICT COURT
Probate File No. 27/74

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And in the matter of: The applicants:
(1) Mrs. Jean Feigenbaum
(2) Mr. Aaron Feigenbaum
both of Simcoe, Ontario, Canada, represented by Arnold Spaer and/or Shlomo Toussia-Cohen and/or Itamar Hacohen and/or Hagai Sition and/or Ephraim Abramson, advocates, whose address for service is 2 Rehov Ben-Yehuda, Jerusalem.
Citation: Be it known that an application has been filed with this Court for the grant of an Order declaring the Succession to the estate of the above deceased, and any person who claims any interest in the said estate and wishes to oppose the said grant is called on to file within 15 days of this citation his opposition thereto, as otherwise the Court will issue such Order as it deems fit.

YEHUDA WEISS, Judge
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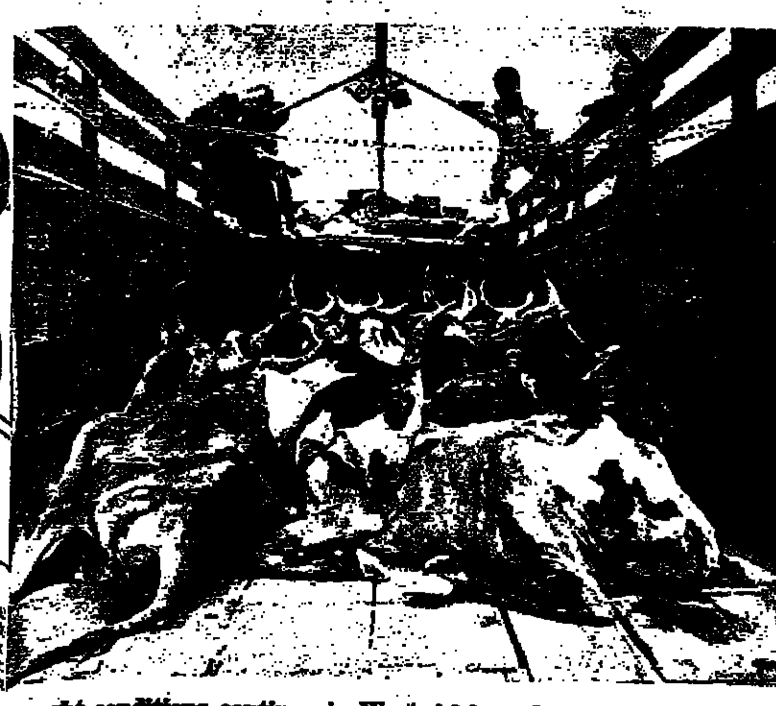

Drought conditions continue in West Africa, along the southern edge of the Sahara, and in parts of Ethiopia. In Upper Volta, dead cows are trucked north to be sold for their skin and bones—over 3.5 million cattle perished last year. The cows are sold for about $2 each; in normal times, they fetch about $200. (UPI)

Business and Finance

JOINT VENTURE PLAN TO FIX RENTS

Rental housing scheme launched, construction activity picks up

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

AFTER the October War, most economists expected residential building to decline. They reasoned that construction activity here was anyway excessive; that it is more dependent than other industries on labour and road transport which are now in short supply; and that purchasing power would probably be reduced, leaving less for investment in real estate.

The economists seem to have been wrong. Building activity has picked up rapidly, and is currently running at only about 25 per cent below its pre-war level — i.e. it is in no worse a state than manufacturing.

Demand for housing is far from flagging. It is bolstered by large-scale public projects, by the special programme launched just before the war to help families with high dwelling density (over three persons per room) to acquire bigger flats, and by the commitment to speed up housing for demobilized soldiers. Moreover, the expectation of rising prices is prompting people to rush for inflation-proof assets, for which one's own flat appears the best choice. Indeed, some observers feel that we may be facing a new building boom, though its immediate effect can only be to increase the scramble for available resources, and to let housing costs — and prices of flats — soar beyond the reach of most people.

Against this background, efforts to develop rental housing seem doomed to failure. Interest should therefore be aroused by the new scheme launched by a joint subsidiary of Solel Boneh and Shikun Ovdim, which intends going in for the very kind of project, hoping in this way to combine a positive contribution to a widely-felt need with long-term real estate profits.

Under the tenant-ownership system prevalent in this country, realtors — including public housing companies — are as a rule more interested in quick turnover than in long range growth. Some of them are indeed developing, and disposing of, selected plots, while retaining adjacent sites in order to benefit from their appreciation. Some are disposing of residential property in the estates they develop while retaining ownership of commercial centres and business premises. However, neither of these policies is satisfactory, because the bulk of the developed neighbourhood passes out of the realtor's control.

The new scheme — conceived by Mr. Arie Oron, Rental Housing director general—is intended to alter this state of affairs by boldly retaining entire ownership of the houses built, letting the flats at a monthly rental fixed for a 15-year period though linked to the c.o.l. Rents are to be kept low enough to assure a ready demand, and no key-money is involved except for a deposit to the tune of 10 per cent of the cost of the flat which will be returned to the tenant at the end of the contract with a yield approximating that of saving schemes. Maintenance will, of course, remain the concern of the owner-company. Understandably, the company intends to keep the flats in good repair, and to take care of the neighbourhood services so as to increase the eventual value of the property when the rental contract runs out. It will then be free either to sell the assets or else to let them at a new rental, according to the market rate prevailing at the time.

The crucial factor in such a scheme is, of course, finance. Ordinary long-term loans available here are much too expensive for rental projects. The scheme is based on the terms offered for "approved property" — i.e. unlinked loans repayable over a period of 20 years at nine per cent interest for some 40 per cent of the envisaged investment, plus a capital grant of about 20 per cent. In addition the company hope to obtain part of the required land — which may account for one third of the investment total — at preferential terms from the local authorities concerned (in particular in the development towns) and from the State Lands Authority. Nevertheless, it counts on achieving a yield of only six per cent (net) on its own capital investment (most of it in the form of shareholders' loans) for the first 15 years, until its rents are freed. It considers this worth while in order to be able to make a richer killing thereafter.

Clearly, these calculations do not accord with strict economic standards. The subsidy involved in the grant and the mortgage loan is expected to about match the rent — which may amount to IL350 a month (plus the c.o.l.). However, this subsidy is less than that involved in the state-financed tenant-ownership schemes. And rental housing estates, owned and maintained by a public company, offer a sounder solution to our housing problem than tenant-owned houses, which are partly acquired for speculative reasons, and most of which are deteriorating rapidly. Moreover, most families can more easily afford a monthly rental linked to the c.o.l. than raising a big amount to buy their own flats.

An essential factor in such a scheme is its size and extent. One of the major advantages of rental housing is the mobility it affords, but this is dependent on the provision of several alternatives. If no such rental alternatives are available, tenants cannot be ejected even if they misbehave or fail to pay the rent in which case tenant-ownership tends to develop, in fact if not formally.

In point of fact, the new project envisages the building of 1,000 flats — in several localities — during the first year, continuing at least on the same scale in the future. It is not quite clear whether the company will obtain the resources required for this ambitious programme (which may cost up to IL75m. for the first stage); but it is certainly worth watching.

For the time being, the scheme is limited to people enjoying a preferential status according to the rules laid down by the Ministry of Housing, i.e. newlyweds, sons of veteran workers, or workers moving to employment in development areas. Also, the tenants are now being given contracts for only five years, on the assumption that within that period they will save enough to acquire their own flats. However, these restrictions may be relaxed if more rental housing projects are built, and if people get used to paying an economic rent. This would eventually reduce the subsidy element currently involved in our housing.

BONUS TO BE DISTRIBUTED

Bank Hapoalim balance sheet grows by 50%

Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

TEL AVIV. — Bank Hapoalim will again distribute a 12.5 per cent bonus. The bank plans another big rights issue next year, in order to keep its equity capital in line with the rapid expansion of its turnover, the Bank's chairman, Mr. Y. Levinson said yesterday.

In 1973, the BHP balance sheet increased by over 50 per cent to IL15,000m., including a 47 per cent rise in loans outstanding from own means, and a 61 per cent rise in loans from special deposits. Loans to the public totalled IL7,500m. at the end of 1973. Acceptance credits more than doubled, and documentary credits increased 61 per cent.

Deposits by the public increased 37 per cent. The bank's own capital and reserves advanced over 90 per cent to IL343m., because of a IL40m. share issue, and a IL75m. issue of capital notes in the course of the past year, and the transfer to general reserve of IL25m. (IL9m. from 1973 profit and IL16m. from internal reserves).

BHP's net profit after taxes rose 54 per cent to IL46m., after the bank wrote off the expense of increasing capital and more than doubled the amount set aside for debts. The bank is now allocating to bad debts at least one per thousand of its outstanding loans.

BHP now provides the full range of commercial bank services, and also conducts business abroad. The bank has recently included in its activity the underwriting of share issues, Mr. Levinson said. BHP's London branch is developing very satisfactorily and is already operating in the black. A New York branch is to be opened this summer.

The bank is also negotiating with several major financing companies abroad concerning establishment of joint affiliates for local and foreign credits operations.

BHP's consolidated balance sheet — published for the first time — amounted to IL16,000m., at the end of 1973. The group's own capital and reserves — including minority interests — amounted to IL520m., as compared to IL240m. a year ago.

BHP affiliates are active in lending, but not in raising funds, being financed by their parent company as a matter of policy.

'ONE HEADACHE AT A TIME IS ENOUGH'

Foreign investor fights way through Israel's red tape

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — "I've fought my way successfully through the Israeli red-tape entanglements and pitfalls three times already, and I expect to continue to do so another two times, until all the five Laromme hotels are finished," Mr. Ignaz Budis, of Frankfurt, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday. He represents a large group of West German investors who have raised several hundred million marks to build the five hotels.

"However," he warned, "until the last two problems are solved, I don't intend to bring any more money into Israel. One headache at a time is enough."

Mr. Budis is leaving this week for Iran to look into investments there on behalf of his West German backers. Moreover, he has withdrawn from a proposal to invest $1m. in a new Israel economic corporation.

Of the five hotels, the one in Eilat has already opened 177 rooms, and another wing — of 140 rooms — should be finished within a month or two.

Work is proceeding more or less satisfactorily on the two Laromme hotels ("North" and "South") in Tel Aviv. "Laromme North" should open in the spring of 1975 and "Laromme South" in the summer of 1975.

"Despite talks of an economic recession in West Germany there will be enough tourists to fill the one in Eilat, as well as the other two when they open," he said.

He expects to "leap the hurdle" of erecting a hotel in Jerusalem in the near future, when the Minister of the Interior signs the building licence. "The licence should have been signed months ago," he claimed.

The problem facing the fifth hotel, which should rise in Nahariya, still seems insurmountable.

"The mayor there hasn't made up his mind if he wants the hotel or not — after we bought a plot of land there two years ago — with the understanding that there would be no difficulties."

"Some DM36m. (about IL55m.) was set aside 18 months ago to build the Jerusalem and Nahariya hotels.

"Since then, the value of the mark has fallen, the building index in Israel has risen by 45 per cent, and the cost of land in Jerusalem has risen prohibitively."

Mr. Dubis notes that he cannot take the DM36m. back out of Israel without "paying severe penalties." The money was invested here under a paragraph of German law allowing huge deductions in income tax, since it was being used in a developing country. To take the money back to Germany would cost income tax and other penalties of about DM20m.

"And anyway, I promised the German investors I would deliver five hotels to them, and I intend to do so," he said.

Silver rises in Lilienblum

TEL AVIV. — The price of a kilogram of silver rose by IL30 yesterday to stand at IL960 and the price is expected to continue to rise, according to a prominent dealer in Lilienblum Street. The reason, he noted, is more psychological than financial, "since people tend to buy something which is rising in price and thus tend to keep the price rising."

The price of silver is already even with, or has passed, the price in Europe.

The price of a kilogram of gold fell by IL200 to IL22,800. Other prices: dollar bills, IL5.15, with a tendency to fall, dollar cheques, IL4.70-80, DM, IL1.30, Swiss francs, IL1.50, Dutch florins, IL1.65, pound sterling, IL11.20, and sovereigns, IL230.

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Index-linked bonds boom in record trade session

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The prices of Index-linked bonds yesterday rose by huge sums — often by as much as 15 per cent or more. The rise, which even astonished financial circles who had predicted a maximum of ten per cent jump, are expected to continue to rise again today, until they reach their "new equilibrium."

There are several reasons for this jump: it has been almost a week that there has been no trading in the stock market in these issues, and the jump accounts for some of the minor rises which normally have occurred each day, the conditions of the new Government issues will have much less attractive terms, and the Government has yet to place these issues on the market.

The demand for the Index-linked bonds was, moreover, as one stockbroker described it, "tremendous." In figures, it amounted to IL12,293,000, the second highest figure ever chalked up in a single day's trading for these bonds.

Moreover, the trading, which began at 9 a.m., dragged on past 3 p.m., making it also "the longest day" for trading in Index-linked bonds.

The prices of stocks also rose. Bank Leumi gained four to 254 (147,500), Bank Hapoalim rose by five to 322 (80,000), and ILDC rose by three to 158 (12,000). Turnover was IL1,947,600, of this, IL271,200 was in the variables.

The Natad Dollar, however, slipped by one point to IL4.97, with $217,000 traded.

		11.2.74	10.2.74
DEBENTURES LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
% Dead Sea Junior	r	—	243.1
% Electric Corp. A	r	—	136.2
% Electric Corp. B.	r	—	151
LINKED to the C.o.L. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
Elita 1965, Index 110.1	b	—	—
Bitahon 1968, Series 41	b	—	—
Bitahon 1969, Series 41	b	—	—
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Otzar Hityashvut	r	223	223
I.D.B. pref.	r	201	200
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	166	165
Union Bank	r	278.5	278.5
Israel British Bank	b	287	287
Discount Bank "A"	r	451	451
United Mizrahi Bank	b	156.5	153.5
Bank Hapoalim—10%	b	322	331
Bank Leumi—"A"	r	254	250
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Gen. Mortgage Bank	b	218	218
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	133	127
Bank Binyan	b	230	230
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	b	230	230.5
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	178	178
Tefahot 8%	b	206.5	207.5
Tefahot	b	205.5	203
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Ind. & Dev. Bank 8%	r	72	72
Hassneh Insurance	b	196	196
Sahar—"C"	b	240.5	240
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES			
Motor House	b	68.5	67.5
Delek C.	r	140	140
Cold Storage—IL10	r	174	176.5
Israel Electric Corp.	r	55	55
Lighterage & Supply	r	157.5	157.5
LAND, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
Azorim	r	180	180
Africa Isr IL10	r	254.5	254.5
Isr. Land Dev.	b	158	153
Solel Boneh—10%	r	129.5	129.5
Property & Build.	r	179	179
Isras	b	137	137
Mehadrin	r	190.5	190.5
I.C.P. Isr. Citrus	b	84.5	84.5
Anglo-Isr. Investor	b	142.5	142.5
Neot Aviv	r	62.5	62.5
Pri Or Ltd.	r	160.5	160.5
Rassco—8%	r	78	78.5
Rassco—O.	r	61	61
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	470	470
Elco—2.5	b	93	93
Electra—5	r	184.5	181
"Argaman"—8%	b	285	289
"Ata"—C	r	109	109
Dubek	b	354.5	354.5
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	175	176
Teva	b	908	919
Chem. & Phosphates	r	58	53
Lewin Epstein	b	66	68.5
Moller Textile	r	165	165
Phoenicia—8%	b	91	91
Paper Mills	r	283.6	282.5
Assis "B"	r	201	199.5
Nechushtan	b	248	248
Shemen—8%	b	128.5	128.5
"Taal" Plywood	b	205	205
Elite		280	280
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	76	76
Ellern	b	154	154.5
Israel Central Trade	r	189	189
Bank Hapoalim	b	227	227
Pax	b	91.5	93
Wolfson IL10	b	90	89
Ampa	r	107.5	107.5
Discount Bank	b	187.5	188
United Mizrahi	b	108	102
Bank Leumi	r	181	181
Piryon Investment	r	91	91
Hassuta-For. Trade	r	75.5	75.5
Export Bank	b	60.5	60.5
Clal Investment	r	180	180
Clal Industries	r	172.5	173
FUEL & OIL			
Naphta OTC	r	67	64.5
Lapidoth OTC	r	120	120

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WALL STREET — Closing Mon., February 11, 1974

Steady decline on market

NEW YORK (AP). — The Stock Market fell into a steady decline yesterday in sparse trading.

Industrials, utilities, financial and transportation issues were all lower. Gold and silver issues were mostly higher, as prices for precious metals gained in world markets.

Analysts said the Stock Market was likely to take its next direction from whatever action, or lack of it, emerged from a meeting of Arab oil producers later in the week.

The Dow Jones index of 30 industrial stocks closed down 16.50, at 803.90.

Turnover was a small total of 12.93 million shares on the New York Stock Exchange.

The exchange's composite index of all its listed common stocks fell 0.86 to 48.57.

American Motors was the most-active stock, down ¼ at 10 ⅝.

Airco Ins	18	Cont Can	24⅛	John Joh	117	Roan Sel	5
Alcan Alu	32¾	Cont Oil	38	John Man	99⅞	Rockwell Int	27⅜
Allied Ch	42	Cont Tel	16	Jon Lau	13⅜	Royl D	32⅝
Allied Str	20¾	Cont Data	32	Kais Alum	19⅛	Russ Tog	9⅝
Allis Chal	9⅝	Corning	70	Kenn Cop	89⅛	Safeway	37½
Alcoa	43¾	CPC Intl	29⅝	Koppers	45	Schering	64
Am Airlin	9⅝	Crane Co	18⅞	Libb O Fd	27⅛	Scott Pap	14⅞
Am Rdest	22	Crown Cork	20⅝	Liggt My	30⅝	Sears Roe	83⅝
Amer Can	26⅝	Crwn Zell	31⅞	Litton Ind	8⅝	Shell Oil	55⅛
A Cyan	20⅛	Dan River	8⅞	Lockheed	5	Singer Co	36⅛
A Home	36⅛	Deere Co	40⅝	LTV Corp	10⅝	Smits KF	48⅝
A Mtl Clx	42⅛	Dist Seag	43	Macy RH	18⅛	Sony	24⅜
Amer Mot	10⅝	Dow Chem	53⅛	Magnvox	8⅞	South Ry	46
A Smelt R	23⅝	Dress Ind	47	Mfrs Han	37⅝	Sperry Rnd	38⅝
Am Stand	12⅜	Dupont	159½	Marath	41⅝	St Brands	51⅛
Amer T & T	51⅛	East Airlins	6	Marcor	21⅝	St Oil Cal	28⅝
AMF Inc	18⅞	E Kodak	98	Marsh Fd	18⅝	Std Oil Ind	89⅝
Ampex	4	Eaton	26⅜	Martin Mar	16⅛	Std Oil Oh	59⅞
Anaconda	25	El Paso NG	15	Matsush	17⅛	Sterl Drug	26⅝
ASA Ltd	94⅛	ESB	26	McDon D	17⅝	Stu Wor	33⅝
Atl Rich	90⅝	Esmark	26⅝	Merck	78	Sun Oil	46⅛
Avco	6⅛	Exxon	81⅛	Minn MM	71⅝	Teledyne	12⅞
Beckman	27⅝	Fair Cam	60⅝	Mobil Oil	45⅛	Tenneco	22
Bell How	23⅛	Firestone	15⅝	Morogm	4⅛	Texaco	27
Bendix	24¾	Fst N City	37⅛	Monsan	51⅛	Texas Gulf	33¼
Benguet	5⅝	Fluor Cp	42⅝	Moor McCor	14⅞	Texas Instru	93⅛
Beth Stl	30	Fd Fair	7⅞	Morgan J	89⅞	Textron	21
Boeing Co	13⅛	Ford Mot	43⅞	Nabisco	35⅝	Transwair	15
Bois Cas	14⅝	Gen Dynam	20	Nat Cash R	31	TriCon	23⅛
Borg War	19	Gen Elect	54⅛	Nat Distil	12⅝	TRW Inc	17⅝
Braniff	9⅜	G Fds Corp	26⅝	Nat Indust	13⅝	Twent Cent	5⅝
Brist My	44	Gen Mills	57⅝	Nowest Air	30⅛	UAL Inc	23
Brunswck	15	Gen Mot	49⅜	Occ Pet C	10⅝	Unil Ltd	—
Burl Ind	20⅛	Gn Tel El	25	Olin Corp	14⅛	Unil NV	38⅝
Burroughs	178¼	Gen Tire	14⅝	Otis Elev	34⅞	Un Carbide	31⅝
Camp Sp	33⅝	Genesco	7	Owen Ill	31⅛	Uniroyal	8⅝
Cdn Pac	15⅝	Georgia	35⅜	Pac Gs El	23⅛	Unit Aircraft	23⅝
Canal R	12⅜	Getty O	126⅝	Panam W A	4⅜	Unit Brands	3⅝
Castle Cka	15½	Gillette	34⅛	Penn Centrl	3⅝	US Indust	7⅛
Cater Tr	57	Goddric	15⅛	Pepsi Co	59⅛	US Steel	68⅛
Celanese	28½	Goodyr	14⅞	Pfizer	36⅝	US Tobac	14
Cerro Cp	16⅝	W R Grace	24⅜	Phelps D	89⅝	UV Ind	37
Chase Manh	49⅞	Grt A & P	12⅜	Phil Morr	105⅛	War Lam	33⅛
Chem NY	44⅛	Gulf Oil	21⅝	Phil Petro	49⅞	Wells Far	22⅝
Chessie Sys	54⅜	Gulf Wn	28⅝	Polaroid	70⅛	Wn Un	15
Chrysler	16⅛	Hew Pack	70⅝	Proct GM	83⅛	Westg Elec	21
Cities Svc	53¼	Honywel	71½	Qukr Oat	24⅝	Weyerhs	39⅛
Coca-Cola	110⅛	Howmet	18⅜	Rabystos M	39⅞	Woolworth	17⅛
Colg Pal	24	IBM	228	Ralston P	23⅛	Xerox Co	107⅛
CBS	27⅞	Int Harv	24⅛	RCA	18⅛	Zenith Rad	27½
Colu Gas	26⅜	Int Nickel	36⅜	Revere Cop	8⅛		
Colum Pict	3⅝	Int Paper	42⅛	Reyn Ind	42⅛		
Con Edis	20⅛	Int T & T	26⅜	Reyn Met	19⅝		

HEVRA LENIHUL KRANOT BNE'EMANUT B.M.

Price on February 11

Unit Price %		Market Price %	Redemption Price %
TZABAR	257.1	245.1	251.1
EREZ	122.2	116.4	119.3
EITAN	143.97xD	—	140.37xD

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COINS AND MEDALS MARKET

$1 = IL4.20

Year	Name	Quantity	Issue Price IL	Market Price IL
	½ Shekel — Purim Coins			
1961	½ Shekel	20,004	1	170
1961	" P.	5,000	2	420
1962	½ Shekel	20,000	1	120
1963	" P.	10,000	2	230
	1 Pound — Hanukka Coins			
1958	Torah	150,000	2	50
1958	" P.	5,000	4	400
1960	Degania	50,050	2	70
1960	" P.	5,000	4	450
1960	Szold	16,883	2	460
1960	" P.	3,000	4	3300
1961	Hero	18,916	2	120
1961	" P.	9,428	4	330
1962	Italian Lamp	9,657	2	300
1962	" P.	6,040	4	700
1963	N. African Lamp	10,000	2	360
1963	" P.	5,500	4	800
	5 Pounds — Independence Day Coins			
1958	Menorah	98,051	10	70
1958	" P.	2,000	18	—
1959	Exiles	27,349	10	140
1959	" P.	4,792	18	350
1960	Herzl	34,472	10	130
1960	" P.	4,923	20	750
1961	Bar-Mitzvah	19,541	10	550
1961	" P.	4,561	20	900
1962	Negev	10,450	10	650
1962	" P.	5,050	20	800
1963	Seafaring	5,990	10	1900
1963	" P.	4,500	20	2100
1964	Museum	11,100	10	480
1964	" P.	4,500	20	800
1965	Knesset	25,252	10	230
1965	" P.	7,680	20	370
1966	Life	32,503	12.50	150
1966	" P.	10,500	25	250
1967	Eilat	30,250	12.50	180
1967	" P.	7,755	25	330
	10 Pounds — Special Issue			
1967	Victory	234,539	12.50	50
1967	" P.	50,499	30	140
1971	Freedom	75,000	30	60
1971	" P.	30,000	60	190

$1 = IL4.20

Year	Name	Quantity	Issue Price IL	Market Price IL
	10 Pounds — Independence Day Coins			
1968	Jerusalem	50,000	22.50	100
1968	" P.	20,501	42.50	220
1969	Shalom (S.F.)	40,000	25	100
1969	" " P.	20,000	50	180
1969	" (K)	23,000	25	160
1970	Mikveh	47,500	25	100
1970	" P.	22,500	50	150
1971	Science (U.)	30,000	25	150
1971	" P.	17,500	50	225
1971	" (J.)	22,500	25	200
1972	Aviation	50,030	30	170
1972	" P.	15,000	60	250
1973	Declaration	125,000	40	65
1973	" P.	41,500	80	170
	10 Pounds — Pidyon HaBen			
1970	P-H	50,333	25	90
1970	" P.	15,000	50	180
1971	"	30,201	25	120
1971	" P.	15,030	50	220
1972	" (star)	30,000	30	80
1972	" (no star)	15,000	30	90
1972	" P.	12,530	60	175
1973	"	105,000	30	40
1973	" P.	15,000	60	170
	5 Pounds — Hanukka Coins			
1972	Russian Lamp	75,000	20	70
1973	" P.	22,500	40	160
	Gold Coins			
1960	Herzl (20)	10,510	50	3500
1963	Weizmann (50) P.	6,202	150	
1962	Weizmann (100) P.	6,233	300	4000
1964	Bank (50)	6,014	150	4000
1964	" (50) P.	1,552	250	20000
1967	Victory (100) P.	9,004	300	5000
1968	Jerusalem (100) P.	12,506	350	2800
1969	Shalom (100) P.	12,500	420	2300
1971	Freedom (100) P.	10,000	420	2800
1973	Declaration (50) P.	12,500	230	600
1973	" (100) P.	10,000	465	1300
1973	" (50-100-200)	18,750	1,617	4900

(in sets of three only)

P = Proof
SF = San Francisco Mint
J = Jerusalem Mint
U = Utrecht Mint

Special to The Jerusalem Post

The coin market is still on the rise, and new buyers—interested in coins as a hobby or as an investment — are constantly enlarging the market.

Most varieties of gold and silver coins are traded. Coin dealers from Europe and the U.S. are buying whatever is available from their Israeli counterparts. Some buyers are willing to pay IL35 for the 1973 Babylonian Lamp, which was issued at IL20.

Until recently, the Israel Government Coins and Medals Corporation has distributed only a small number of the new Hanukka coin, which may account for its current high price. Those who have the patience might obtain the coin at a lower price, after the distribution to collectors and merchants ends.

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SPOT RATES		
Dollar	2.2330/35	per £
DM	2.7450/70	per $
Swiss Fr.	3.2255/85	per $
French Fr.	5.02/5.03	per $
French Fin.	5.11/5.13	per $
Lire	661½/662¼	per $
Belgian Fr.	41.51/64	per $
Dutch Fl.	2.8680/2.8720	per $
Yen	295½/296	per $
Gold price:	$144.50	

FORWARD RATES

	1 Mo.	3 Mos.	6 Mos.
£/$	2.2045/60	2.1690/705	2.1255/305
DM/$	2.7490/525	2.7565/600	2.7585/635
Sw.Fr./$	3.2295/355	3.2375/455	3.2455/535

NOTICES TO THE PUBLIC

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS
Tender No. 166/73

Tenders are invited for the supply of: 4700 lead sleeves

Tender forms and further particulars can be obtained from the director, Purchasing and Supply Division, 172 Rehov Herzl, Tel Aviv, daily during working hours.

The tender must be accompanied by a letter of guarantee or cheque of a recognized bank in the amount of 10% of the first IL50,000, and 5% of the balance (if any) of the amount specified in the tender form.

Tender accompanied by letter of guarantee should be dropped in one of the following tender-boxes located at: — 1) The Office of the Director-General, Ministry of Communications, 23 Rehov Yaffo, Jerusalem.
2) The Office of the Director of Purchasing and Supply Division, Ministry of Communications, 172 Rehov Herzl, (room no. 8, tender-box No. 1.).

Envelope is to be marked "Confidential — Tender No. 166/73". Tender not submitted in the above manner will not be considered.

Tender must be submitted no later than Feb. 17, 1974.

The Ministry of Communications is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender nor to order the entire quantity from a single contractor.

Tenders by telegram will not be accepted.

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GREATER HAIFA REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
TENDER No. 13/B-2/ISP/73
THE ISRAEL SEWERAGE PROJECT

Haifa Regional Sewerage Authority hereby invites contractors to submit bids for civil engineering works pertaining to the expansion of the existing Haifa Sewage Treatment Plant.

Tender documents and Forms of tender can be obtained against payment of IL500 (non-returnable) from the office of the City Engineer, Municipality of Haifa.

Bidders should submit their bids in two copies on the forms to be supplied to them and in compliance with the conditions of the Tender.

Bids, accompanied by a bank guarantee of 5% of the bid total, valid for a period ending 120 days from last date set for the submission of bids must be placed in the tender box at the offices of the Haifa Regional Sewerage Authority, not later than noon on May 16, 1974 or be mailed by registered mail to the above address to arrive not later than May 16, 1974.

The envelope containing the bid should be marked:
The Israel Sewerage Project
Tender No. 13/B-2/ISP/73
Haifa Regional Sewerage Authority

Bids submitted without the required bank guarantee will not be considered.

Terms of payment: as specified in the Tender Documents.

Bids may be submitted by contractors who have been prequalified for works of a value of at least IL1,000,000 and have been notified to that effect.

Bids may also be submitted by others who are registered in the Contractors' Register under the section: sewerage, drainage and waterworks for works of a value of at least IL1,000,000. These contractors will be supplied with Prequalification Forms, and approval as a qualified bidder will be issued to them within 10 days of the submission of the completed documents.

A site inspection for contractors will be held on February 26, 1974, leaving from the office of the City Engineer at 10.30 a.m.

The Tender Board is not bound to accept the lowest or any bid for the entire Tender or parts thereof.

J. ZEISEL
Chairman of Greater Haifa Regional Sewerage Authority

GREATER HAIFA REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
TENDER No. 14/B-2/ISP/73
THE ISRAEL SEWERAGE PROJECT

Haifa Regional Sewerage Authority hereby invites contractors to submit bids for the supply, erection and setting to work of mechanical and electrical equipment and pipework, valves and fittings for the expansion of the existing Haifa Sewage Treatment Plant.

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Bids may be submitted by manufacturers or by approved agents of companies supplying mechanical equipment for sewage treatment plants who have been prequalified and have been notified to that effect.

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Chairman of Greater Haifa Regional Sewerage Authority

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LIVING TOGETHER IN JERUSALEM

WE who know what a passionate and impassioning city Jerusalem is — Jews, Christians and Moslems alike — also know that ten measures of moderation are required to live in and with the living city, whether as separate groups or brother Jerusalemites.

But if the slender lines of Jerusalem brotherhood are easily broken, it is largely because there are outside forces who would like them broken, who would sacrifice a united Jerusalem living in peace to their own partisan ends.

Such are the people — at this writing it is not clear exactly who they are — whose agents yesterday morning set fire to three Christian establishments in Jerusalem.

Whether the fires were set by Orthodox extremists to intimidate Christians, or by agents provocateurs to incriminate Orthodox Jews, their ultimate achievement, if they would have their way, could only be damage to Jerusalem.

The quick action of the Jerusalem Municipality in offering to repair the damage and pay compensation reflected more than official propriety. It expressed as well the repugnance of the large majority of Jerusalemites towards acts of this kind.

At the same time, however, we cannot ignore that only two days before the arson attacks a Christian missionary group was discovered operating in the guise of a "mystical meditation centre" in the heart of a Jerusalem neighbourhood with a heavy concentration of Orthodox Jews and schools.

Such insensitivity to Jewish feeling only serves to breed mistrust and ill will and does harm to the bona fide Christian institutions living and operating in Jerusalem and Israel.

If all of us in the Capital have a responsibility to see that moderation and brotherhood prevail, the Christian institutions also have a special responsibility of calling to task those Christian groups who would cast camouflaged nets in Jewish waters.

Improving the media

MR. Shmuel Almog, the Director-General of the Israel Broadcasting Services, told the Board of Management this week that, having completed his five-year term under his contract, he is not prepared to renew it. This virtual resignation is expected to be confirmed today at the meeting of the full Plenum of the Authority.

Almog became responsible for both the television and radio services after the principle was established that there should be one overall head of both media, in opposition to the point of view advanced by Professor Elihu Katz, the first Director of Television, who resigned because he thought the marriage of the media was administratively undesirable. The increasing power of television, and the excessive sensitivity of politicians and other public figures to what was shown by it, resulted in Almog concentrating a great deal of his time on the young but brash new medium.

Until the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War, he was hampered by a restricted budget, and constant interference from people in high places. Officially, the Israel Broadcasting Authority is supposed to be completely independent of political interference, but in practice the members of the Board of Management happen to be selected according to a party key, and powerful personalities have not hesitated to try to impose their views on the Director-General.

But Mr. Almog's administration was also plagued by labour troubles, inter-office intrigues and other forms of internal strife, even more than is customary in most Government offices. And it is this perhaps more than anything else that has led him to step down.

Lord Greene, called in by the Minister of Education, Mr. Yigal Allon, to report on all aspects of broadcasting, commented that he was not surprised that there was so much trouble in the glass building in Romema. He ascribed these difficulties to the impossibility of turning creative people into civil servants.

Greene went out of his way to express his bewilderment at the manner in which the media are organized. "Decisions are not made at the right level or are not made at all," he wrote in his report. "The Director-General and Directors find themselves burdened with petty detail... Lower down the chain of command, on the other hand, producers and their equivalents are debarred from making the simplest administrative and financial decisions, and are bitterly frustrated as a consequence."

Everyone concerned — Mr. Allon, the Chairman of the Authority, the Director-General, and the workers — hailed Lord Greene's Report as brilliant and agreed to adopt most of its provisions in principle. That still remains to be accomplished.

During the war, both media performed outstandingly, providing remarkable service, both of news and other programmes, which were worthy of long-established networks in the West. There seemed to be plenty of money available at last, and producers, directors, reporters, cameramen and programmers were given a chance to show their mettle. They took justifiable pride in their work, and a tacit moratorium on labour troubles was established.

It is to be hoped that Mr. Almog's decision will not bring with it a drift back to the days of excessive political interference, restrictions on creative freedom, cutting of budgets, contempt for the views of the public, labour strikes and office intrigues.

Rather the Broadcasting Authority should now move forward to taking the Greene reforms seriously and to appoint a media professional with the authority and talent to provide leadership for a quality broadcasting and TV service.

ISRAEL PRESS

Oil consumers meet in Washington

Davar (Histadrut) says the Washington oil conference has little chance of success, as the idea of cooperation between oil consumers conflicts with the policy of bilateral deals supported particularly by France and Britain. At the same time, it is to be hoped that the West will continue in its efforts to achieve self-sufficiency in energy.

Omer (Histadrut) says the consuming nations must band together in order to stand firm against the oil-producing monopolies. It expresses the hope that the U.S. will succeed in this aim by bringing to bear its economic and political leverage.

Hatzofe (National Religious) says that the terrorist attack near the Banias must be viewed with the utmost gravity. It is inconceivable that terrorist activity should be allowed to resume without suitable armed reaction by Israel.

Hamodia (Agudat Yisrael) says on the coalition negotiations that two conditions set by the Torah Religious Front — Halachic conversions and non-conscription of women — are essential for Orthodox Jewry. The Alignment can decide whether or not to accept them.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) on the other hand calls for a coalition based on no changes in the religious status quo and a policy of accommodation with Israel's neighbours.

Ha'aretz (non-party) says that the new director to be chosen for the Broadcasting Authority will have to be of sufficient stature and talent to be able to ward off political pressure. His task should be to outline general policy in an intelligent manner, while permitting reasonable freedom of action.

She'arim (Poalei Agudat Yisrael) says the main result of the conference will be merely to emphasize the differences between the U.S. and other consumers. America's call for unity will fall on deaf ears.

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INTERVIEW WITH WEST BERLIN MAYOR KLAUS SCHUTZ

The city that's still divided

By Abraham Rabinovich
Jerusalem Post Reporter

IF a university ever offers a course in divided cities as part of an urban affairs programme, Jerusalem and Berlin will serve as classic illustrations. While the former was divided for 19 years, the latter has been divided and encircled since shortly after the end of the Second World War.

West Berlin Governing Mayor Klaus Schütz, who is currently visiting here, noted in an interview this week that his half-city has more physical contact with "the other side" than did Mayor Teddy Kollek's West Jerusalem before 1967. The spiritual separation between the two Berlins, however, seems no less sharp than that which existed between the two Jerusalems.

Under an agreement arrived at by the Four Powers in 1972, West Berliners can visit East Berlin with a minimum of red tape. Telephone links between the two halves of the city have also been restored and there are extensive commercial contacts. But relations between municipal officials are non-existent, except for one special representative from each side. The representatives meet periodically to discuss the procedures for West Berliners wishing to cross the border.

"I could have met my East Berlin counterpart at a mayor's conference in Milan," notes Mr. Schütz. "But I didn't go."

While the Four-Power agreement led to a relaxation in tension for a short period, Mr. Schütz said, the East Berlin authorities have increasingly resumed their hard line.

In divided Jerusalem, Israeli and Jordanian officers would meet every Monday morning near Mandelbaum Gate under UN auspices, to resolve problems such as camels or children who strayed across the border or to argue about whether or not Israel could hold a military parade on its side of the city.

The closest thing to a permanent communications channel in Berlin is a single teletype link between police on the two sides of the city. "There is a group of grievances which might be interesting to discuss with municipal officials on the other side," Mr. Schütz said. The mayor indicated strongly, however, that West Berlin can get by quite well without such bilateral meetings.

With deep wells of its own, West Berlin is not dependent on East Germany for water. Its sewage is channelled into East Berlin pipes, but Mayor Schütz points out that East Berlin has good reasons of its own for permitting this. "If we couldn't connect to their sewers, we would have to dump our sewage into the river (the Spree, which forms part of the border), which would not be very pleasant for them." (Divided Jerusalem also shared a sewer main, one which ran from Musrara in the west to the Kidron Valley in the east.)

East Germany has also agreed on a commercial basis to permit West Berlin to bury some of its garbage in dumps across the border. "We pay them a lot for that," says the Mayor.

Where trade links between the two Jerusalems was confined to small-scale smuggling — either by foreign personnel crossing Mandelbaum Gate, or by Arabs crossing the barbed wire at Abu Tor or elsewhere — open commercial contacts exist between the two Berlins. West Berlin gets soft coal and vegetables from across the border, and it sells 3-4 per cent of its industrial output to East Germany.

West Berlin, which covers 480 square kilometres, is more than four times as large as present-day Jerusalem and 13 times larger than pre-1967 West Jerusalem. Its two million population is seven times greater than that of present-day Jerusalem. But Mayor Schütz is concerned over a decline in population with relatively few young people immigrating from West Germany. The same problem was met in West Jerusalem by channeling into it more than 100,000 new immigrants over two decades. West Berlin, in contrast, has 100,000 foreign workers.

Among Mayor Schütz' aims is the attraction of more West Germans to his city, improvement in the substandard living conditions of many foreign workers and extension of the city's subway system into new residential quarters. With no prospects on the horizon of a reunified Berlin, Mayor Schütz hopes to make his half of the city as prosperous and comfortable as possible.

West Berlin Mayor Klaus Schütz

Jumping on the Gershwin bandwagon

With Prejudice by Alex Berlyne

I LIKE a Gershwin tune, how about you?

It's 75 years since the composer was born and everybody's been jumping on the bandwagon to mark the occasion and, possibly, make a leetle profit on the side. In fact there is a Gershwin book-boom already well under way. Since this replaces last year's publishing crazy — Hitleriana — and its predecessor — Ecology — the more Gershwin books the merrier.

The grandest enterprise of them all is "The Gershwins" by Robert Kimball and Alfred Simon which retails at $25. If this is too much for your pocket-book you can choose from a cheaper selection: "Gershwin, The Man and His Music" by Charles Schwartz; "The Gershwin Years" by Edward Jablonski and Lawrence D. Stewart; "The New York Times Gershwin Years in Song"; Ira Gershwin's "Lyrics on Several Occasions"; and a number of others which are already in the pipeline.

Over a 100 Gershwin concerts have been scheduled, special exhibitions have been held at New York's Hallmark Gallery and Lincoln Centre while the windows of Bergdorf Goodman have exhibited blowups of his music and pictures from his life. A five-hour radio tribute and three TV programmes have also marked the non-occasion.

Don't get me wrong. I love his music and many years ago used to interrupt my experiments with centrifugal force (which involved balancing a lead soldier on a gramophone turntable) to play his tunes on enormously thick old 78s. And great stuff it was: *The Man I Love, Someone to Watch Over Me, Somebody Loves Me, Lady Be Good, They Can't Take That Away from Me, Do-Da-Do, Summertime* and *Fascinating Rhythm* among others. Old Morris Gershwin, the composer's father, referred to the latter to the end of his days as "Fashion on the River" and, it is reliably reported, thought that the line "Come to poppa, come to poppa, do" in the song *Embraceable You* referred to himself.

George Gershwin

In his short life (he was 38 when he died of a brain tumour) George Gershwin knocked out all these standards, which still crop up on long-plays recorded by Sinatra, Perry Como and Dean Martin as well as inspiring chunks of the Julie Andrews Show, and wrote a respectable body of serious music as well. When I first heard them I had to twiddle the cat's whisker against the crystal of a primitive radio to catch the unforgettable strains as they were broadcast by the orchestras of Carroll Gibbons, Roy Fox, Lew Stone, Harry Roy Ambrose or Geraldo and the vibrations caused by any passing truck were enough to necessitate the twiddling process all over again. Four decades later they're still going strong, enhanced by the soft-focus lens beloved of TV musical potpourris. 'S Wonderful 'S Marvellous.

I've always had a weakness for the products of Tin Pan Alley, good bad and indifferent. That is to say, I enjoy the good and relish the really awful. It's like the little girl who had a little curl right in the middle of her for'ead — when she was good she was very, very good and when she was bad she was horrid.

Compare the musical expertise of the best practitioners with the standardised chord sequences of the hacks. Jerome Kern changes key from three flats to five sharps in *Smoke Gets in Your Eyes* and, somehow, manages the return trip smoothly. Cole Porter in *Night and Day* repeats the same note 46 times in the 16-bar verse and gets away with it. Lesser tunesmiths went by the book of rules to the extent that the chords were known as "Sears Roebuck," Montgomery Ward" and "Woolworths" and the left-hand piano was coded "Slow Drag," "Cabaret" "Hatfield," "Double See-saw" and "Thumb." According to Ian Whitecomb, who recently published a Penguin history of popular songs, "After the Ball," that old favourite *Yes, We Have No Bananas* was concocted from chunks of *The Hallelujah Chorus, My Bonnie* and *The Bohemian Girl* while "Tiger Rag" contains elements from *"London Bridge is Falling Down"* and the *National Emblem March*.

Oddly enough, Irving Berlin, one of the surviving greats, was not handicapped at all by his lack of musical knowledge. He could only write in the key of F sharp and had a specially-rigged piano to overcome the difficulty. Similarly, Lewis Muir, who composed *Waiting for the Robert E. Lee*, needed a trick instrument and used to shout "Now! so that an assistant could switch him from the verse in C to the chorus in F.

There were other ways of overcoming the absence of inspiration. Anyone who has heard Lionel Bart's *Fings Ain't Wot They Used to Be* may be excused for wondering what Rogers and Hart, the composers of *In the Mountain Greenery*, think of it.

Special magic

Sometimes even the tritest tunes and the most banal lyrics became infused with a special sort of magic which defies analysis. Israel TV viewers were treated to Anne Bancroft's torchy rendition of *I Don't Want to Walk Without You, Baby* recently. Though the tune and the lyrics are almost a parody of the genre they have an inescapably haunting quality. Put a torch-singer like Ruth Etting or Helen Morgan together with songs like *It Had to Be You* or *I'm in the Mood for Love* and you have an unforgettable combination.

One of my favourite categories of pop songs was the one that dished out free advice. Take, for example, *The Glory of Love* with its sound prescription "You've Got to give a little, take a little." You can't say fairer than that. *Button Up Your Overcoat* is loaded with helpful hints: "Be careful crossing streets, don't eat meat, cut out sweets or you'll get a pain and ruin your tum-tum." Some people resented this guidance, especially lines like "When she's weary, wearing the same shabby dress, when she's weary try a little tenderness," declaring that the bum should buy her new clothes instead. It was useless to explain that this was one of the hits of the Great Depression, like *Brother Can You Spare a Dime?* or *Side by Side* with its refrain "We ain't got a barrel of money."

John Tasker Howard in his "Our American Music" has paid tribute to a number of forgotten Tin Pan Alley toilers. These include Vincent Youmans (*I Want to Be Happy*); Ray Henderson (*Bye, Bye, Blackbird*); Milton Ager (*Ain't She Sweet*); Richard A. Whiting (*Ain't We Got Fun*); Joseph Meyer (*If You Knew Susie*); Harry Warren (*You're Getting to be a Habit with Me*); and Jimmy McHugh (*I Can't Give You Anything But Love, Baby*).

In England their tunes were usually given the Victor Sylvester treatment. That is, they were played to a strict tempo for dancing so that you literally couldn't put a foot wrong. His straight-jacket arrangements of songs like *Sweet Sue, Honeysuckle Rose* and *Ain't Misbehavin'* racked up record sales of over 27 million among the devotees of the Foxtrot and the Quickstep but that's no excuse for his genteel mishandling of standards like *I'm Just Wild About Harry*. He made Harry sound like a curate and the rest of them like one of those "Follow the Bouncing Ball" shorts.

Lyricists were sometimes capable of brilliant lines. Cole Porter probably led the pack with songs like *Anything Goes, You're the Top* and *Let's Do It* while Lorenz Hart of that unbeatable combination Rodgers and Hart, matched his tricky rhymes to the music's slinky harmonies in *Manhattan* and other and achieved a quality of inevitableness.

Berlyne collection

On the other hand, some of the lyrics written by lesser mortals were so awful as to earn another kind of immortality. Here are some of the high-lights of the vast Berlyne collection. The rest cannot be published yet under the 30 year Cabinet Papers rule:

"I love my baby, my baby loves me. Don't know nobody as happy as we," Bud Green penned in 1925. Three decades later Neil Sedaka downgraded him with "Oh, Carol I am but a fool. Darling, I love you though you treat me cruel." The best entry for the Forties was Lester Lee's "It's bound to entertain ya. Everybody has a mania to do the Polka from Pennsylvania." Others among the also-rans include such immortal lines as "Don't tear my heart like it was paper"; "I'd like to get ya, on a slow boat to China"; "I was madly to serenade Dolores, chorus after chorus"; "In old Vienna, the girls and the men are, alive and free" "East is East and West is West and the wrong one I have chosen" and "As we enjoy a cigarette to some exquisite chansonette" — a line which inspired Mickey Katz and his Kosher Jammers to a frenzy of parody.

Readers' letters

WATER WASTE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As your Economic Editor pointed out in his article about the shortage of water (January 2): "The low price of water to the farmer probably contributes to its waste." This is putting it mildly!

Before the war, Mekorot was selling almost all of its water to the moshavim and kibbutzim, who use almost a billion cubic metres a year. They paid above seven agorot a cubic metre, says your editor. Correct, but the *cost* of this water was almost 50 agorot per cubic metre. Thus there was a "loss" of 43 agorot per cubic metre. Who paid the loss? Why, the Israel income tax payer, of course. The amount: over IL420m. a year. With electricity costs going up some 40 per cent and 20 per cent of all the electricity used in Israel going for water pumping, the cost to the Israel tax payer will also go up. Part of it will be paid by the kibbutzim and moshavim, but at least IL200m. can be expected to be added to the tax payers' bill. Therefore, in 1974, IL420m.+IL20m.=IL620m. will be wasted for water subsidies.

There is talk now of cutting our "marginal" citrus groves — some 40,000 dunams according to your economic editor. That will cost at least another IL100m. And who will pay for that? Again, of course, the Israel tax payer — as he has been paying for years to keep the fact of this particular bankruptcy hidden.

All this brings me, once more, to the fish story. Carp are the single greatest water waster in Israel. According to the Bureau of Statistics, over 150m. cubic metres of water are used to grow carp in Israel.

Now cutting out 40,000 dunams of marginal citrus would save at the rate of 800 cubic metres per dunam — 32 million cubic metres of water; less than one quarter of the water used in growing carp! And citrus, so they tell us, earns dollars. Carp, however, loses dollars, and wastes four times as much water. According to a recent article by the secretary of the Fish Breeders Association, in *The Jerusalem Post*, carp will soon cost IL6 per kilo (in addition to which there is a subsidy of more than IL6 per kilo for water, which the Israel income tax payer will pay, i.e. IL72m.

Why then don't we, if it is a matter of saving water, cut out the carp ponds?

Carp ponds use more water than the growing of all vegetables, potatoes and melons in Israel.

How much longer can we afford this "holy cow," and while the Establishment cries "taxes for defence?"

SAMUEL DUBINER

Tel Aviv, January 21.

LIVING STANDARDS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In her letter which appeared on February 6, Ingeborg Lewinthal states that "nothing will ever be finally achieved if even the comparatively small sacrifice of lowering one's standard of living is considered too much."

It is perhaps easy for someone of the upper middle class to talk that way, but what about people who are just surviving on their monthly salaries? The price of basic foods was cheap and should have stayed that way. Mrs. Lewinthal compares these prices, including fares, to those abroad. How can anyone compare any price with those abroad, without taking into consideration the difference in salaries?

I know of many young people of my age (22) who are hesitating whether to stay on in Israel, or go to a different life abroad with higher standards.

JENNY COLLINS

Haifa, February 6.

Convert prefers Conservative

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In your issue of February 1, Philip Gillon wonders "who, at this stage of the game, is so desperately anxious to share our (the Jews') troubles with us if not obliged to do so." I am flattered at his wonderment, for I am not obliged in the least to become Jewish, and I wish to become a Conservative Jew, and have for almost three years now. I came to Israel last July to study for a year and hope to immigrate some day to Israel.

I do not wish to convert to Orthodox Judaism, but if the N.R.P. has its way and the Law of Return is amended, I would convert under a rabbi who conforms strictly to *halacha*, as would be required. Israel is very important to me, and I could not bear not being considered a true Jew according to law.

FUTURE CONVERT

(Name and address supplied.)

Jerusalem, February 4.

ESTABLISHMENT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Your Military Correspondent, Ze'ev Schul, is reported to have said: "This war (October 6) was, from a press or public relations point of view, an utter and total fiasco." Maybe it was, and maybe it had to be so for good and valid reasons. I have not lost faith in Golda Meir, Abba Eban, Moshe Dayan, etc. and fail to understand the hard position of Ze'ev Schul and Dan Bloom, CBS Bureau Chief in Israel. Can it be they, as word-merchants, felt slighted because they had nothing to write about? As a reader I, too, felt slighted, but regardless of how eager I was for information, I did not have a right to be critical. The tragic loss of life may have resulted from Israel's errors, oversights, etc. But it was made by human beings! — and I'm certain those who erred know it and are suffering untold mental anguish.

I strongly feel the least we can do is give them moral support — they had and have the burdens and responsibilities from the start to the finish. At such a critical and crucial time, we are only bystanders.

I cannot feel sorry for word-merchants deprived of their bread and butter. I cannot praise the extremists, left and right, whose wind-bags were deflated by lack of information.

In due time things will be righted and we will be informed. I can live without sensationalism, especially when the going is rough. This is the least I can do — when I'm qualified to do more, I should and will. This should apply to reporters, too.

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